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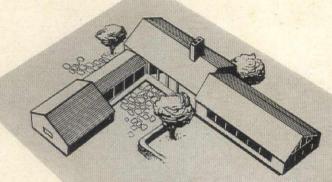
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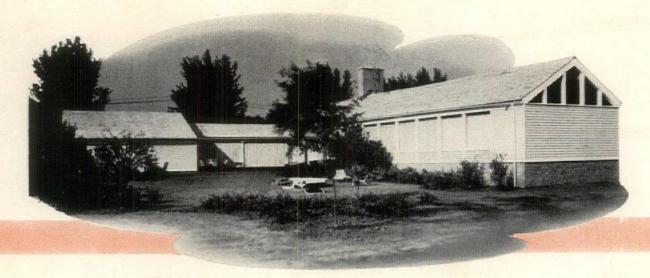
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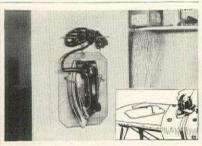
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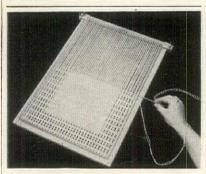
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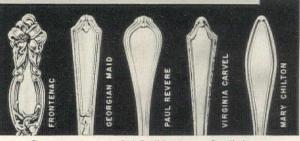


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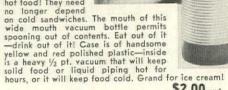


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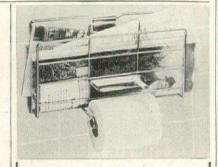


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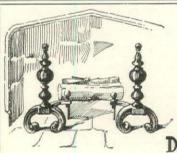


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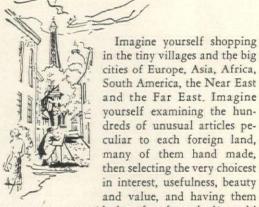








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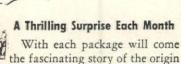
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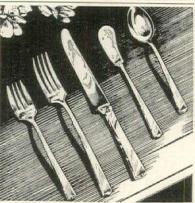
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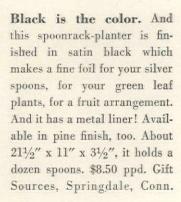
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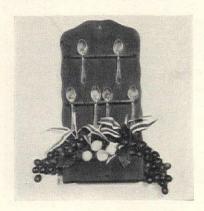


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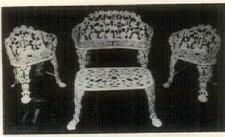
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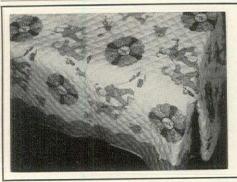
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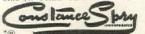
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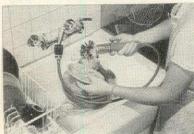
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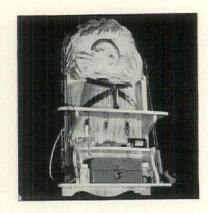
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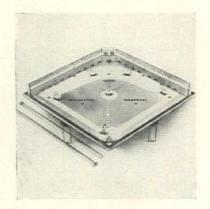
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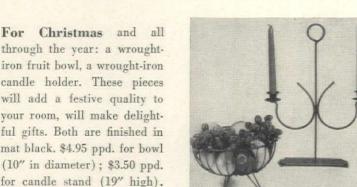
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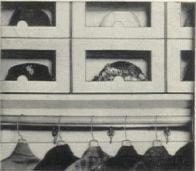
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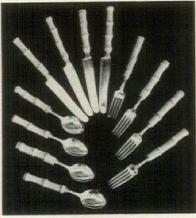
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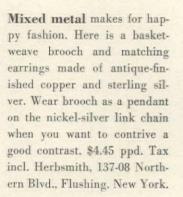
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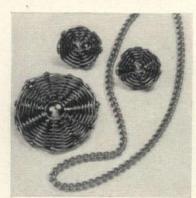
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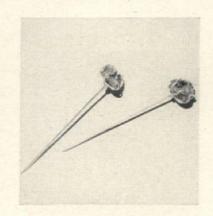
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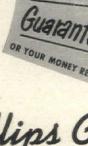




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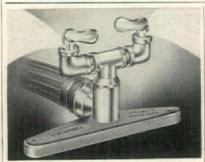
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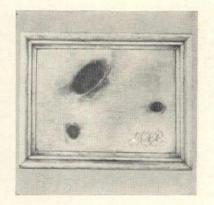
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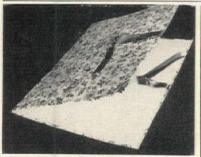


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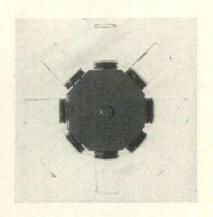


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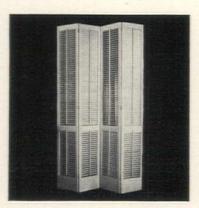
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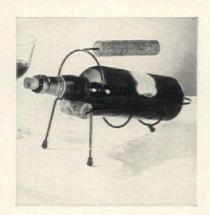
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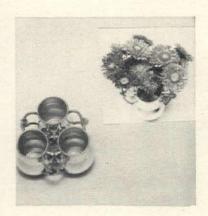
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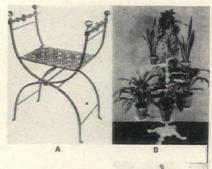
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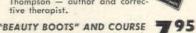


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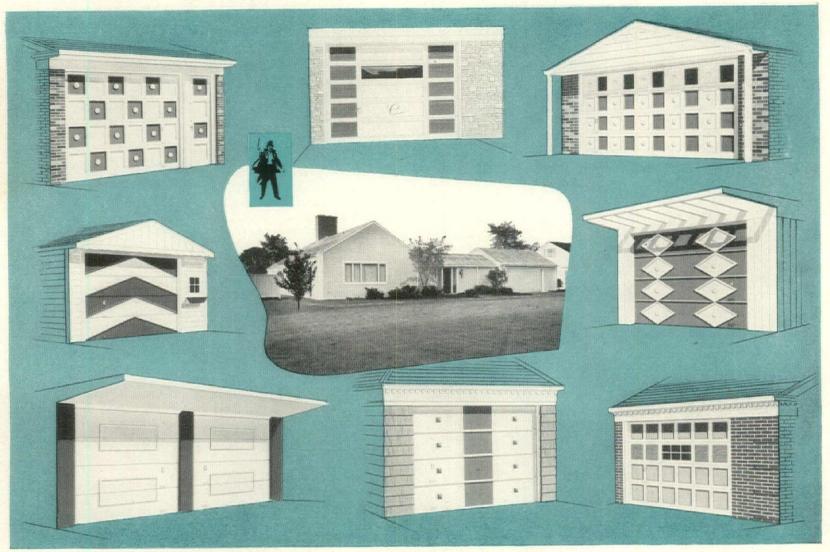
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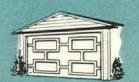
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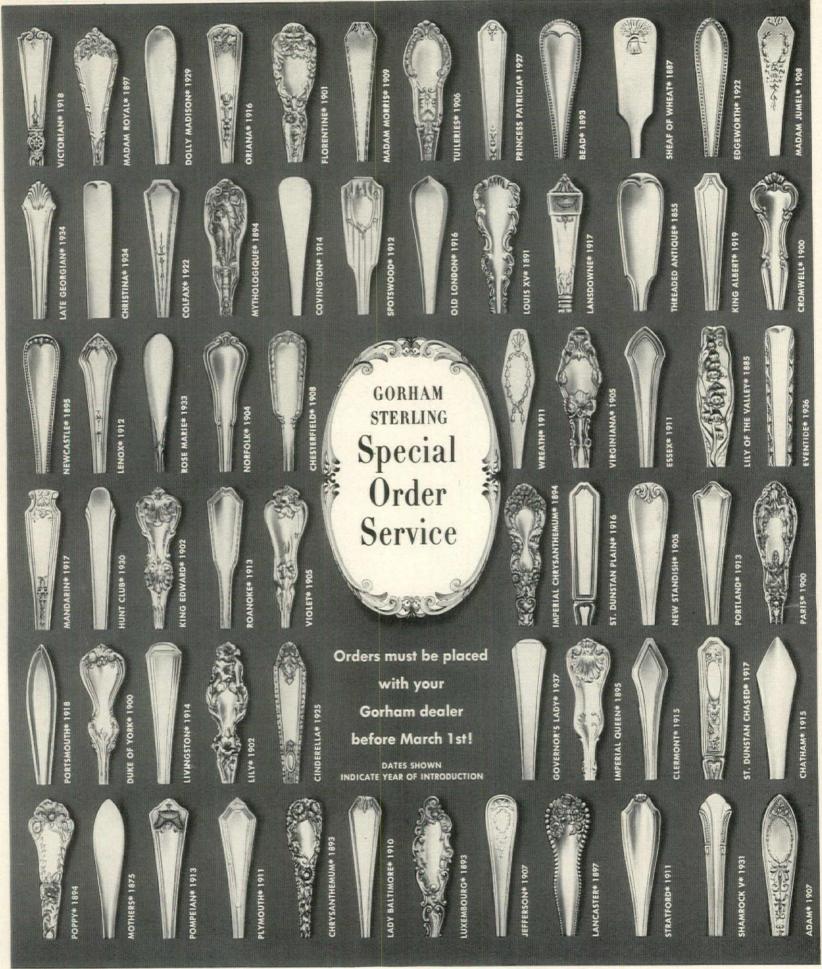
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PERSONALITIES IN THIS ISSUE: GEORGE W. W. BREWSTER, Boston-bred. Harvard-schooled architect, who returns to H&G this issue as designer of the 1953 House of Ideas, is no apostle for conformity. To him, each house must be taken as an original idea, function easily, fit the interests of its owners, sit with a composed acceptance on its site. Though Mr. Brewster is recognized as an artful mixer of familiar charm and modern convenience, no Yankee restraint shows through his penchant for fast cars and racing boats. He is at home with his attractive wife and three sons in a handsome Brewster-designed house in Brookline, Mass. STANLEY UNDERHILL, also Harvard-schooled and Mr. Brewster's collaborator for the landscape gardening of the House of Ideas, putters around his own willow-treed Beacon Hill rooftop on weekends, thinks of a garden as a place of rest. Part and parcel of the current excitement-rife generation, he predicts that the coming American lawn might well be an ivy-like ground cover. MELANIE KAHANE, who decorated the House of Ideas, gave up fashion designing for interior decoration because "when you design a dress, you seldom see the woman wearing it; when you decorate a house, you know how the people will live in it." Miss Kahane traces her black, white, and pumpkin color signature to a black-and-white coat made for her in Italy. She believes that decorating starts by eliminating the obvious: "You don't always have to have a mirror over the fireplace or a breakfront in every living room." COVER: Sunny gallery of the House of Ideas captures in capsule the color theme of the house; black and white dramatically accented with clear colors. Black plastic-tile floor, white bouclé casement curtains are good background for pink denim-covered benches which can be moved easily into any room. Cover photograph, Haanel Cassidy.

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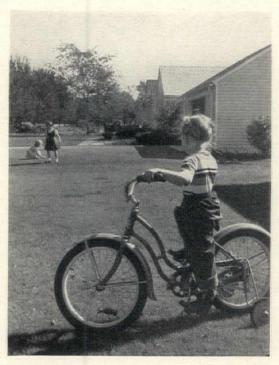
1953 House of Ideas

It's a pink house. You can't miss it if you walk down Hackberry Lane in Winnetka, Illinois. Thirty thousand Chicagoans trooped through it during the month it was on exhibit. Ten of them wanted to buy it. One of them actually did. What makes it a House of Ideas? For one thing, it achieves a lot of living in small space, 1,800 square feet to be exact. All of its rooms are as flexible as a licorice stick and can be used 24 hours a day. It gives parents and children a separate world of their own. Its outdoor living space doubles the indoor living space for at least three months of the year. It uses modern materials and equipment to save time, work, and wear. A lot of visitors were astonished at the daring color scheme. ("Imagine mixing pink with orange!") A lot more stood speechless in the glamorous patio. ("Imagine a patio in Illinois!") Still others marveled at the automatic curtains. ("Imagine closing the curtains by flicking a switch!") Mechanically-minded visitors cooed over such 20th-century niceties as a bedroom switch that brews coffee in the kitchen, controls all the lights in the house; a garage door which opens by a radio beam from your car; heating that adjusts automatically as the weather changes; windows which store their own screens. Design-conscious visitors ogled the gable skylight of heat-resistant glass; the towering two-faced fireplace; the working music-wall; the pocket-sized utility room. Efficiency-minded visitors exclaimed over the built-in refrigerator; the tuck-away ironer; the stove "divided by two." Garden enthusiasts cheered the green lushness of the month-old lawn; the ingenious planting to insure future privacy. On the following pages we take you on a guided tour through this happy house. If you look at it with a receptive eye, we think you will find in it many a bright, new clue to good living.

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To children, a new house opens a new world

Here is a house that gives you space for living, time for leisure

We have come a long way since Gertrude Stein remarked, "In the United States there is more space where nobody is than where anybody is." Today, when we talk about wide open spaces, we're more apt to mean the new spaciousness of modern homes rather than the open road. Two decades of scientific progress and social change have had a profound effect on how America lives. In this generation, mechanical devices do the work once done by servants. We have manmade fibers, cars with automatic drive, and a new taste for outdoor living. Instead of the butler, the youngest member of the family opens the front door. Today, thanks to television, family life is staging a real revival. House & GARDEN interprets this new mode of living in its second House of Ideas. Each idea in this house results from our generation's evaluation of old concepts, or from science's new discoveries. The sum total of these ideas shows how Americans choose to live today.

The 1953 House of Ideas is a commuter's dream house, far enough from the city to have the taste of country but close enough for daily companionship with the family. It is a one-story structure, without attic or cellar, making up for these space economies by a spreading floor plan, ceilings as high as 16 feet, and 100 feet of window wall. Most of its space works day and night, since many rooms do double duty. A pitched roof gives the house a familiar look, making it immediately at home with its farmhouse predecessors in the Illinois countryside. Its real living news is in the floor plan which opens all of the main rooms to 90 feet of unobstructed view. Despite all this openness, the house provides a private relaxing center for (Continued on next page) each generation.

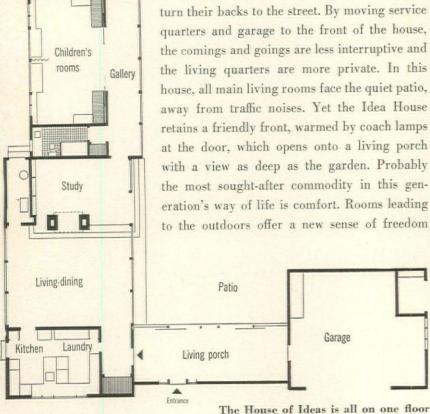




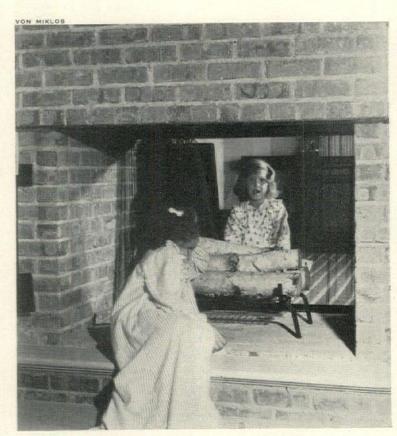
In this house you can eat wherever you please: in living room, study, kitchen, living-porch, or terrace.

(Continued) The master bedroom is tucked away at the end of the gallery, the farthest point from the street. Pushbutton controls keep it in touch with the rest of the house. The children can slide back an accordion partition to turn their individual bedrooms into a large playroom. The living room is the all-generation, all-activity room, the hub of family life.

Our changing social manners are again evident when you look at the front of the House of Ideas. Scarcely 10 years ago, most houses would have presented an imposing front to the neighbors, as a matter of course. Today's houses literally turn their backs to the street. By moving service quarters and garage to the front of the house, the comings and goings are less interruptive and the living quarters are more private. In this house, all main living rooms face the quiet patio, away from traffic noises. Yet the Idea House retains a friendly front, warmed by coach lamps at the door, which opens onto a living porch with a view as deep as the garden. Probably the most sought-after commodity in this generation's way of life is comfort. Rooms leading



never associated with the old-fashioned parlor. This spontaneity encourages people to move about easily or settle down comfortably into informal groups. A restful atmosphere created by comfortable furniture and lilting colors invites relaxation. The terrace gives a second living room to the parents, a private playground to the children, a picnic-site to the entire family, and is a perfect spot for those who like to vacation at home. Two separate seating areas make it possible for the children to have supper out-ofdoors in summer months while the grown-ups have their tea or cocktails. Today's servantless house must be a model of efficiency if there is to be time to enjoy life. This requires sound planning throughout; built-in storage at accessible points; surfaces which can be easily cleaned with a damp cloth; finishes which are impervious to liquids, stains, and the hi-jinks of children; natural woods which never need repainting; fabrics which have dust-resisting surfaces. Such a pushbutton paradise, seen by 30,000 inquisitive visitors and described in detail on the following pages, is why the 1953 House of Ideas is truly a house for this age of ideas.



Huge, two-way fireplace which warms both living room and study is a favorite place for two little girls to say goodnight. Right, a long deep view of a house that looks bigger than it is. Living room is as high as the roof, steps up to study which serves as television-music center. Children's room has own TV.

Master bedroom





HOUSE OF IDEAS continued

Where does indoors end and outdoors begin?



HAANEL CASSIDY

Even at night, the terrace claims equal partnership with the living room and porch. Floor-to-ceiling window walls and glass doors dispel any separation between the house and the out-doors. Skillfully planned indoor lighting extends a romantic glow onto the patio at night.



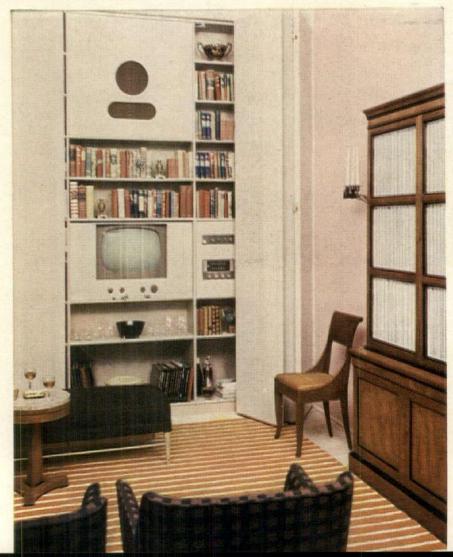
Seating group opposite fireplace is ideal for conversation

HAANEL CASSIDY

Window wall gives a panorama of the outdoors

Folding doors conceal television wall when not in use

Mixing is the key to a successful decorating scheme. You can mix black-andwhite with bold colors, modern sofas with traditional breakfronts, contemporary paintings with antiques. That's what gives a room vitality and personality of its own. You can actually change the look of your furniture by changing the colors that surround it. Light colors on walls and windows will silhouette dark, mellow wood tones. Textured upholstery will give sofas and chairs a new feeling and protect them against hard wear. If your living room is the hub of entertaining, you'll need tables with tops of marble, slate, or glass so that you won't have to worry about cigarette burns or glass rings. In our House of Ideas' living room and study, sofa, chairs, and ottoman are covered in practical black and brown textured fabrics, side chairs in nasturtium-colored silk (two swatches shown on the opposite page). Conversation piece in this room is the handsome looped carpet with alternating stripes of nasturtium and white.



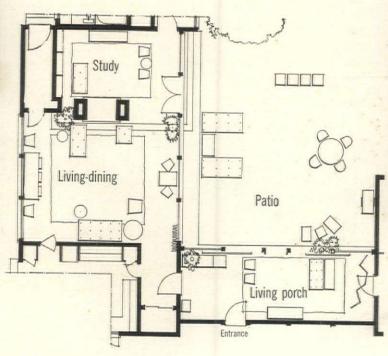


Today's living room earns its name

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Television built into a wall saves space and merges with decoration. In the study area of the House of Ideas, television is part of a working wall that includes radio, record player, shelves for books and bar accessories. High fold-back doors protect working wall against dust, give room a sense of composure. Armchair upholstery at right.

Living rooms are no longer front parlors reserved only for special occasions. They're all-purpose rooms which the entire family can enjoy any hour of the day. Since more women are doing their own housework today than ever before, dining rooms are disappearing and more meals are being served in a corner of the living room near the kitchen. Television is changing the living room, too. TV needs a place where it will not interfere with other activities. In addition, the living room must provide comfort for reading, playing games, and entertaining friends. In H&G's second House of Ideas, these needs have been accomplished by means of an ingenious floor plan (see page 54). Main living area is on two levels. Up two steps from the living-dining room, separated by an island fireplace, is the study-television room (shown left) with all the privacy of a separate room. Because there are no actual partitions, living room and study enjoy the spacious feeling of one large room which is as high as the roof and as deep as the view through the window walls. The exposed rafters make the room look twice as high as it really is. The towering pink-brick fireplace, which is the focal point, leads your eye to the pointed ceiling. gives a lift to the entire room. Large areas of window walls enable you to enjoy the changing colors and patterns of nature (Continued on the next page)





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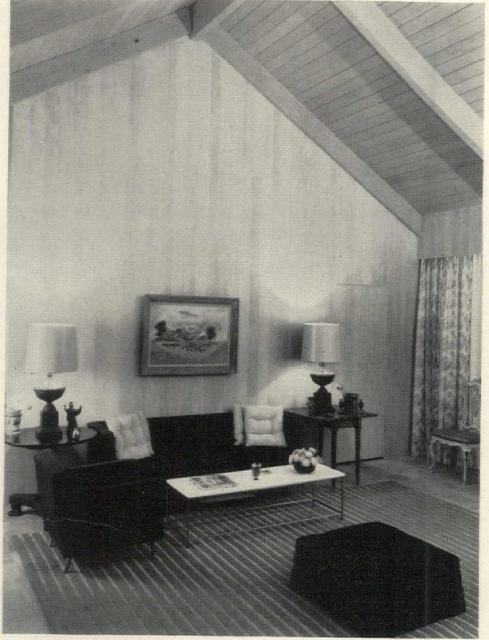
(Continued) the year-round. All of these features, in turn, affect the decoration. Cedar walls and oak parquet floors, rubbed with white paint, make a simple background for a highly original color scheme chosen by decorator Melanie Kahane: carnation pink, nasturtium, black, and brown, used with accents of white (all from House & Garden's 1953 palette). In any open-plan house where the rooms merge with each other, it's wise to use the same colors throughout. If you were to introduce different colors in each room, you would end up with a restless scheme. In the House of Ideas, all of the main rooms can be seen from the patio (and vice versa), so the same colors are repeated indoors and outdoors to give a sense of unity and harmony. Furniture is sensibly grouped to take the greatest advantage of the twoway fireplace, outdoor view, and the television wall.



Living-porch, through which you enter the house, can be used as an extra sitting or dining room 12 months of the year. Floor-to-ceiling glass doors slide on tracks, opening the whole porch to the patio. Screens slide forward to keep out insects. In winter, sun pours in from the south through the wide window wall. Radiant heat coils under the stone floor make the room warm and livable.



Wood valance keeps dust from top of curtains

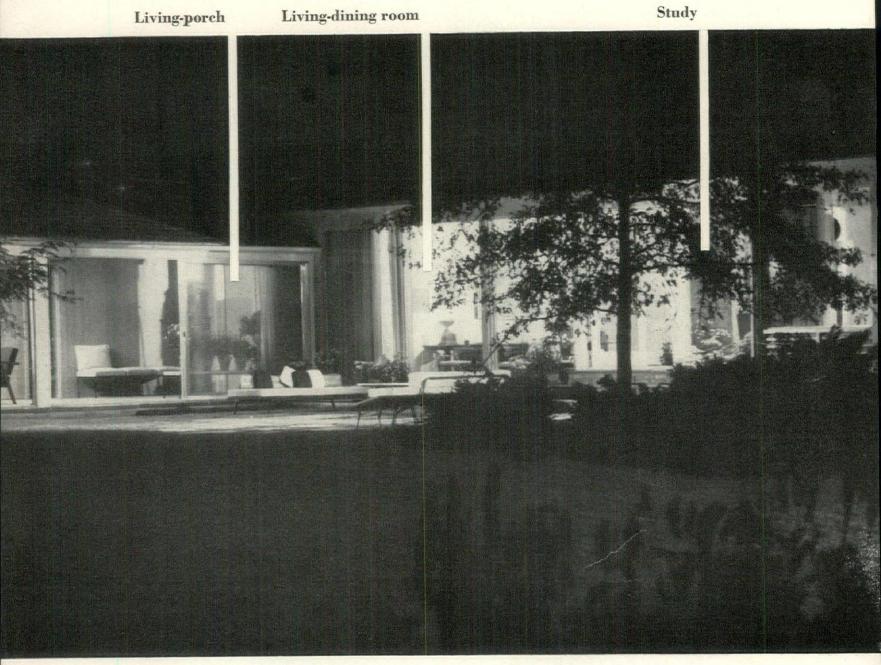


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Open-rafter ceiling makes living room and study look larger, lighter, airier. To control sunlight, woven wood-slat blinds (opposite page) are hung on traverse rods next to windows; over them hang sheer unlined curtains (right). Blinds and curtains in main living area operate by electric switches. Conversation group is silhouetted against white-rubbed cedar walls and underlined by dramatic striped carpet (left). Lofty ceiling gives colors space to breathe. Can windows have the run of a house without robbing it of privacy?

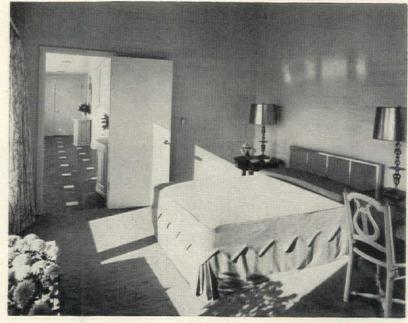
For far too long, people have turned their backs on one of the greatest assets to a house, namely, the backyard. Today, however, more and more houses from California to Connecticut are turning their main rooms away from the street so they can enjoy a view of rear garden or patio through window walls. The House of Ideas does exactly that. Its window walls run around the back of the house from living-porch to master bedroom. But in order to relax and enjoy looking out of a house like this, you want to be sure that no one is looking in. Here are some good ways to achieve privacy: To begin with, the lot on which this house stands is 200 feet deep, well out of view of the house in the rear. When a new house sprang up next door on the patio side, shrubs and trees were planted as a screen. Casement curtains on traverse rods were hung on the window walls of living-porch and gallery. In the living room, study, and master bedroom, unlined curtains were hung over traverse blinds of woven wood slats. Curtains and blinds in living room and gallery draw when you flick a switch.



View from patio at night shows every room in house (except bathrooms, kitchen). Because ground slopes and bedroom wing is raised four feet, you cannot see into gallery and bedroom windows from patio.



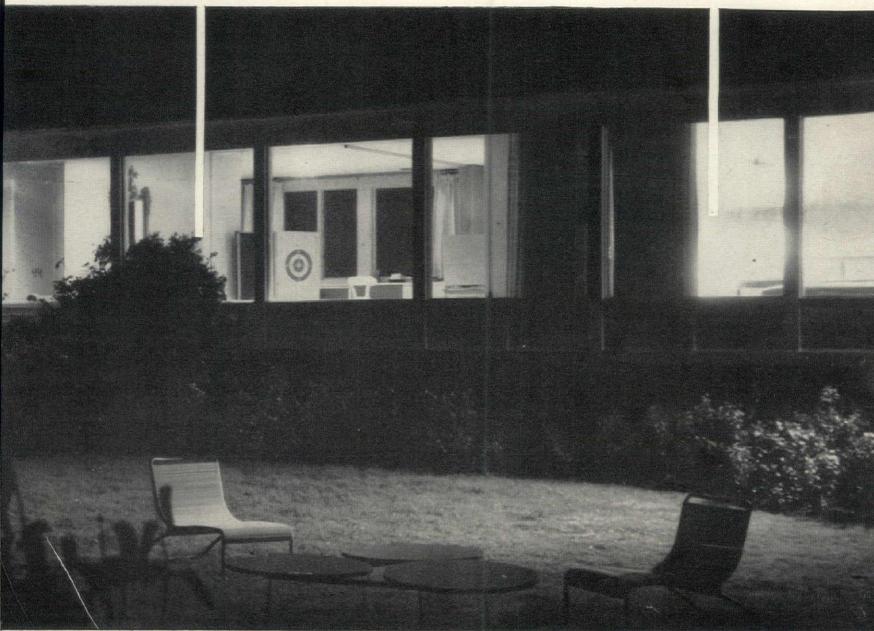
Window-walled gallery adds play space to children's room when sliding doors are open, gives light and ventilation.



Master bedroom is at far end of gallery, adjacent to children's room so that parents can hear midnight calls for water. On window wall, left, curtains are hung over blinds (as in living room and study) to afford privacy. Door at far end of gallery closes off entire bedroom wing, enabling parents to entertain or watch television in the study without disturbing the children.

Gallery and children's room

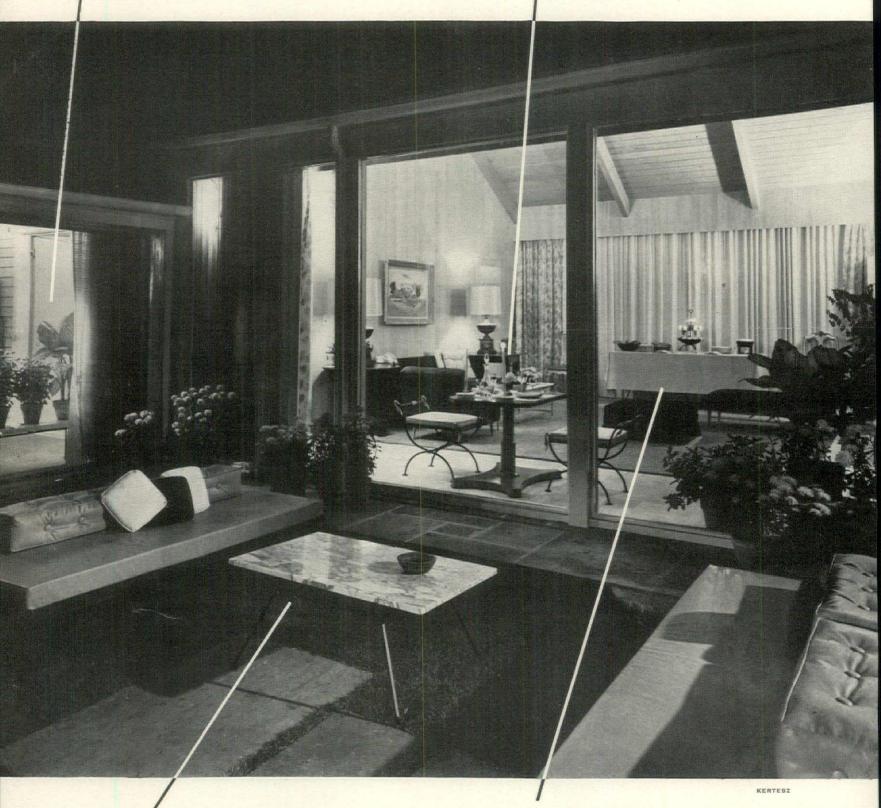
Master bedroom



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The living porch has a double personality. In summer its walls roll back to link it to the patio. In winter it is closed and comfortably heated. At any time, it could serve as separate dining room.

2 The little game table alongside the living room window has two alternative uses. The parents can dine at it when alone. At a large party, it is handy as a base for drinks or for after-dinner coffee.



- The outdoor sitting area in the patio serves a multitude of purposes: for children's parties, brunches that include all ages, cocktails, after-dinner coffee, sunbathing during the warm summer months.
- At the long table against the far window wall, the family can dine together. For larger dinner parties, it is set buffet-style. Guests help themselves, carry plates to where they are sitting.

A house is as large as the living you get out of it



The terrace is perfect for children's parties

Opposite

If a future archaeologist should find the House of Ideas as well preserved as ancient Pompeii, he could learn a lot about our time. "The Americans of the Early Atomic Era," he would say, "were primarily a practical people. They judged things not by traditional standards but by how well they worked. The lack of a servant class seems to have caused them little worry. On one hand they harnessed nature, on the other they took it into their rooms. Each home was a world in itself full of color, sound, light, activity."

Square footage is your architect's measure of the size house he builds for you. Your measure of it is the satisfaction you get out of it. In short, the way it "lives," how well it fits your family's daily needs, how well it copes with entertaining. Take our House of Ideas, for example. Its 1,800 square feet of space not only meets the family's day-to-day living requirements but also provide 915 square feet of entertaining space. (In summer the patio adds 840 square feet of extra space for entertaining.) To turn this trick, we did not skimp on closets or bathrooms or on the children's rooms. We merely built into this house a few simple principles which could apply just as well to any other house. The first one is, don't be rigid about what room is going to be used for what purpose. In this house, there are four main living areas whose usage varies with the needs of the day. To show you how flexible they are for entertaining, two tables have been set up in the living room: the small one near the window could be used by the parents for dinner, the long one at the far window for a large buffet party. (Obviously, these situations would not occur simultaneously.) Further flexibility is induced by the wall treatment. You are so little aware of the window walls between indoors and out that the patio seems like a room and is used as one. Its comfortable weather-proof furniture is an invitation to step down into it from the study. It also acts as an extension of the living porch. The glass walls of this porch do a disappearing act, sliding back to make it part of the outdoors in summer, closing it into a cozy room in winter. Between living room and study, a free-standing fireplace, set up two steps, creates a partial wall. These steps, which run the full width of the room, are brick with wood tops. By the simple addition of cushions they make attractive supplementary seats for guests. With all this variation and view-through, parties go off with a kind of magic in this house. The rooms never seem smoke-filled or crowded, and guests move in and out freely. (We proved this to our satisfaction when we gave a press party for 100 at the preview of the house.)

A typical schedule of family meels in the House of Ideas might be as follows: breakfast at the kitchen counter where coffee has been readied by push-button control; if children are at school, mother lunches on the little game table by the window wall; dinner is set for the whole family at the long slate-topped table against the far window. In warm weather, lunch trays are carried out to the glass-topped table in the patio. On summer evenings, supper for the children and cocktails for grown-ups can be enjoyed simultaneously. In any kind of weather, the living porch, with its comfortable sofa, armchairs, and table, is an ideal place for informal meals, tea, or cocktails. (Continued on next page)

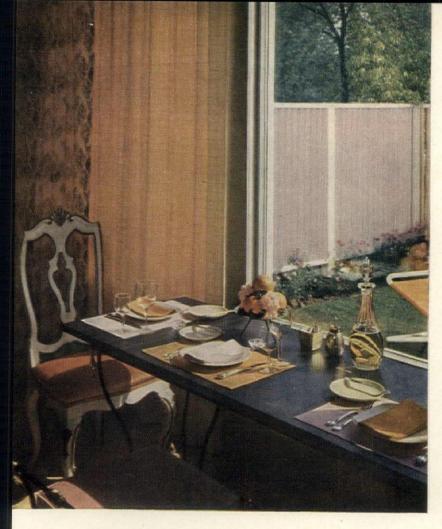


Lunch for four in the patio. Service is easy thanks to the rolling cart which can be loaded with casserole, coffee, drinks. Pink tablecloth and nasturtium napkins look gay against green grass. The glass-topped table can be left outdoors all season.

A party is the acid test of how well a house really works. Here is how the House of Ideas handles two kinds of parties with which every hostess is familiar: the sitdown dinner and the buffet supper. For a sitdown dinner of six, the long, slate-topped dining table will be pulled out from the window wall and chairs brought up to it. Food can be rolled in from the kitchen and kept hot on serving cart or hot table. After-dinner coffee is served in the study where guests can enjoy television or cards. For a large supper party of 14 to 16, the slate-topped table is pushed back to the window wall and set up buffet style. Cocktails are served in the living room or living porch. Guests help themselves to food; used plates are collected later and rolled back to the kitchen on a serving cart. Seating is handled as follows: four guests sit at the sofa group in the living room, four more in front of the fireplace with a pair of low tables moved up to hold plates and glasses, four more in the study, two more at the small game table. If the party mushrooms unexpectedly, the hostess can seat four more guests on the living porch. In summer, 10 more can eat in the patio, six around the marble table, four at the glass table. In this way 30 guests can be comfortably seated, easily served.



Patio can be used by the whole family for summer living. Plastic-covered cushions on lounges defy weather. Table has marble top.



This might be Sunday lunch with the children on their best behavior. The ovenware in which the main dish is cooked can be brought directly from stove to table and needs no pads thanks to latter's slate top. Lunchers look out over bright flower bed.

For a self-service dinner for eight, the main dish is kept hot on a black iron candle warmer. Salad ingredients are ready for host or hostess to mix. An iron epergne holds flowers, fruit, flame lights. Pink and nasturtium napkins complement cloth.





Any commuter husband, just arrived on the five-thirty, would welcome this scene: cocktails served on a grass-and-flagstone patio under a jaunty sunshade, furniture as comfortable as it is good-looking, chrysanthemums banked against window walls.

Dinner for two can be as romantic as a honeymoon if you set it up on a mellow wood table overlooking the patio garden. Notice how well modern accessories blend with traditional silver. Linens and china can be matched, as here, or mixed as shown above.





Private universe for a little girl. Built-in space for clothes and toys; materials that stand wear; pink because it's her favorite color



Master bedroom has gabled window that gives light but insures privacy Writing desk, right, doubles as night table in master bedroom



Today's bedroom leads a round-the-clock life

When high building costs got the upper hand a decade ago, the dining room moved in with the living room, the laundry combined with the kitchen, and the study took on over-night guests. For the same good reason of economy, our House of Ideas shows how the bedroom takes to 24-hour-a-day living just as well as any other room in the house. In the House of Ideas, there are three bedrooms: a master bed-sitting room, as self-reliant as an apartment in town, and two children's bedrooms which can be combined into one big playroom, complete with television to make the children want to stay there. An accordion partition folds back to convert the children's rooms into one big (14' x 24') playroom; sliding doors open it to the window-walled gallery to make a rainy-day playground (19' x 30'). At night, when the partition is closed, two children have individual sleeping quarters. (Continued on the next page)



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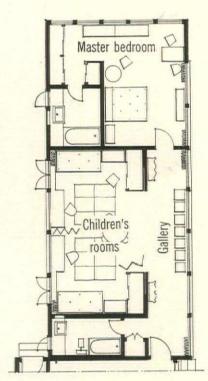
Gable window runs the width of the master bedroom giving a view of treetops by day, stars by night. Dial control by bed starts coffee brewing in the kitchen, and also turns lights on or off throughout house, patio, and garage. Natural-colored grasscloth covering walls, forsythia-print curtains, and mustard colored carpeting (swatched at right) link room with outdoors.



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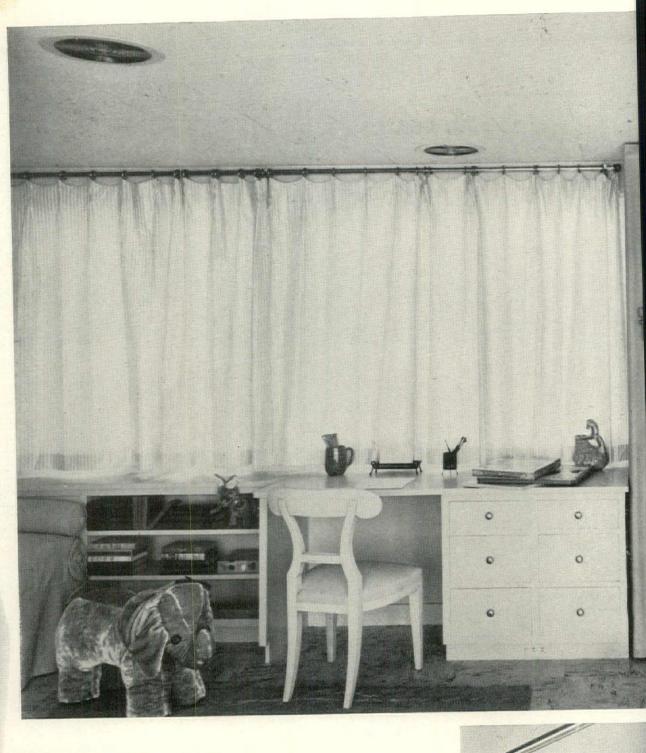
(Continued) Compact built-ins, two of everything, and exactly the same, do away with sibling rivalry, provide each child with drawers for clothing, shelves for toys, and desks with long counter tops for homework and hobbies. Similarly, a three-part plan gives the master bedroom a distinct daytime life, though not so obvious as that for the children. The master bedroom has a sitting-room look. A writing desk and comfortable chairs make this an inviting spot for letter writing, keeping accounts, reading, or pursuing a hobby, since its location at the end of the gallery assures peace and privacy. Dressing and bathing facilities are contained within a private L, which laps around a separating halfwall. Here room-wide mirror-faced closets keep clothes at the point of use. The bedroom gains an unusual sense of spaciousness by a high ceiling that follows the pitch of the roof, a high gable window on the south that exposes the treetops by day and the stars by night, and a window wall with a garden-wide view. From this room you exercise remote con-(Continued on the next page) trol over many situations: a master





Ceramic tiles used on floor and walls clear up to the ceiling make bathrooms seem bigger than they are. To allow plenty of space for toiletries, basins are set in wide marble or structural glass counter tops. Built-in cabinets with drawers below hold bathroom supplies. Master bathroom, left, has gray tiles, spatterdash wallpaper on ceiling, white moire shower and window curtains with Greek key border, towels and rugs in H&G's terra cotta. Children's bathroom, opposite, in blue and white. Jaunty jabot-swag window and shower curtains in blue-and-white checked chintz match the ceiling wall-paper; blue and white towels are used.



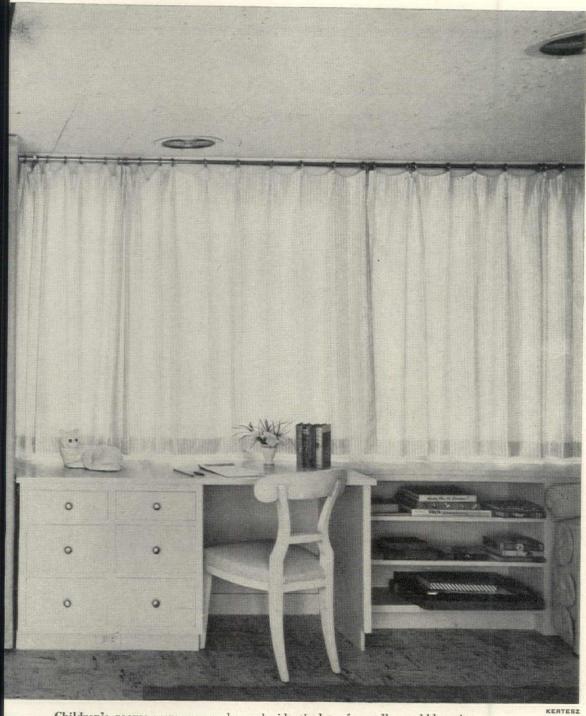


HOUSE OF IDEAS continued

(Continued) switch turns the lights off and on in any room of the house, garage, and patio. Materials in the House of Ideas were especially selected to suit the new uses of bedrooms. In the children's rooms, acoustical tile ceilings absorb the noise of youngsters at play. Plastic tile flooring makes a perfect runway for wheel toys, yet resists dents and scratches and can easily be mopped clean. To prevent accidents from tipped over lamps, base plugs, and frayed cords, lights are recessed into the ceiling. Fabrics are rugged and washable. In the master bedroom, sponge rubber underlying wall-to-wall carpeting gives luxurious walking comfort and longer rug wear. Chairs are upholstered in dark colors to resist soiling. Both master and children's baths are practical and pretty. Wash basins are sunk into counter tops wide enough to double as dressing tables. Walls tiled to the ceiling with the same ceramic tile used on the floor give the bathrooms a sense of unity and spaciousness. Builtin drawers and cupboards inspire children to keep things in order. Their bath, located next to study, is used as a powder room by guests.



Even small hands can slide back accordion partition running on ceiling track between children's rooms.





When sewing is brought to the children's room, youngsters don't fidget between fittings; they go on playing until another try-on is announced. Here desk and shelf top make a table for the portable sewing machine brought in from the laundry. At the foot of each child's bed are chests of drawers for clothing. There is extra storage space for out-of-season toys, suitcases, and keepsakes above the closets where clothes are hung.

Children's rooms were purposely made identical to forestall squabbles. Accordion partition folds back to make one big playroom. Built-in desks and shelves provide work surfaces and storage space for toys. Like everything else in this room, pink and white striped chintz curtains (see left) are washable.



Simple bedspreads make bed-making something children can do themselves. Pink denim spreads (swatch at left) take hard wear.



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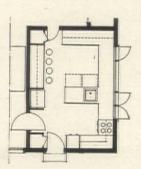


Every inch of space counts in this kitchen



The breakfast bar also serves lunches, snacks

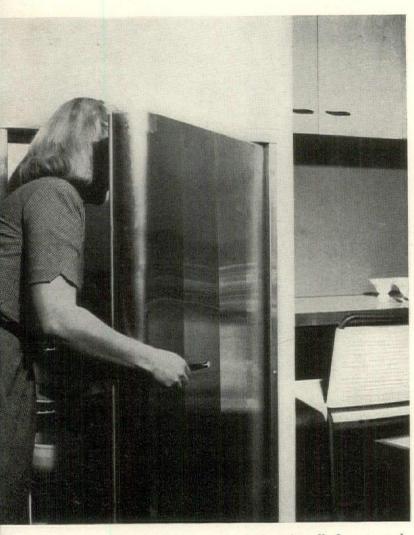
Today's kitchen is no longer the forgotten room of the house, unseen except by cooks. In these informal, and servantless times, it is the housewife's living room, the hub of the house for the entire family, the room everybody seems to gravitate toward during a party. As an important part of the house, it deserves the attention you give to any other room, and a color scheme that is related to the rest of the house. An attractive kitchen needn't sacrifice efficiency. In fact, in House & Garden's House of Ideas, the kitchen is more efficient than ever before because it must do double duty. Only 12 by 17 feet in size, it is actually a laundry-kitchen. But it is exciting to enter and fun to linger in, as well as a pleasure to work in. (Continued on the next page)



Opposite

The central peninsula divides the kitchen into clearly defined work areas, separated by a glass partition which leaves a feeling of openness even in a small room where every inch of space is put to working use. Plan above shows how the peninsula forms a double "U" opening to breakfast bar. Right, in cooking center the oven is placed so that you don't have to bend to see if the roast is done. Ventilating fan above burners draws off cooking odors, filters grease from smoke.





Built-in refrigerator is flush with wall, fits compactly, eliminates need for dusting. It has 10 cubic feet of food storage space including a good-sized freezing compartment. The door is of stainless steel to match oven, sink.

(Continued) Its mainspring is the central peninsula (see page 48) formed by backing the sink and dishwasher against the clothes washer and ironer. (This plan locates all plumbing in one spot, a construction cost-saver.) A peninsula plan, which can be used in any kitchen, not only gives you extra wall space, it also makes each center more compact and is thus a step-saver. Notice the order in which equipment is placed. The dishwasher is next to the sink so that rinsed plates can be put right in without taking an extra step (garbage disposer is in the sink). Traffic proceeds from sink to work counter to burner (or oven) to assembly point for serving without an extra step or back-tracking. Built-ins are another important feature of this kitchen. They save space, eliminate dusting, and give the room an uncluttered look. Not only are the completely equipped storage cabinets built in, but also the refrigerator, cooking units, dishwasher, ironer (which folds under a counter), and the breakfast bar. All the cabinets have natural birch doors; insides are steel, enameled in terra cotta color. Terra cotta is repeated in laundry equipment and wall colors. Formica counter tops, all in a dove-gray linen pattern, are a delight to look at as well as to use. The linoleum floor is in muted tones of gray, white, terra cotta. White split bamboo curtains can be drawn across the wide window. A study of the pictures on these pages will prove that this kitchen not only does an efficient job in small space, but is inviting to the family and a room to show proudly to visitors.



The recessed lights underneath the wall cabinets focus light on work surfaces. All counter tops are of easy-to-clean Formica in a pleasing, dove-gray linen pattern.

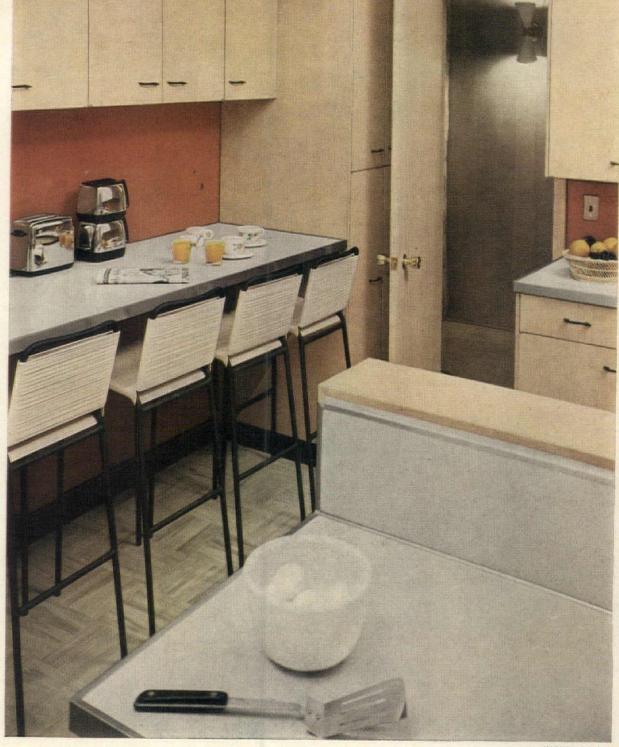


In the cooking center, everything you need is within easy reach. Production line moves logically from sink to work counter, to stove, to assembly counter for serving.

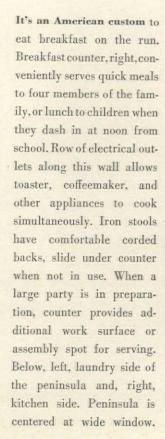


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Kitchen is near the children's play yard so mother is within easy reach during the day. Oven can hold a 20-pound turkey. The cabinets below hold cooking utensils.



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Above: Enclosed porch connecting house and garage serves as extra living room.

Left: Patio in the bend of the house is hidden from street

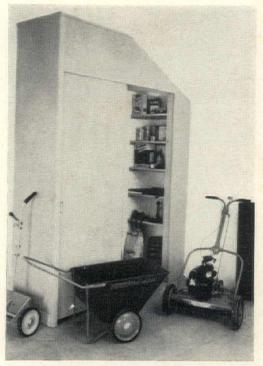
The House of Ideas lives on

good terms with its neighbors

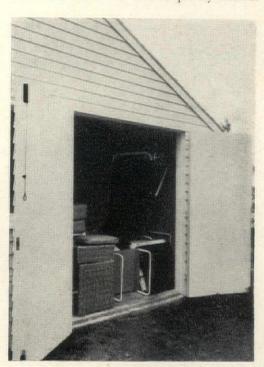
Opposite

A successful mixture of traditional farmhouse design using window walls and open planning of modern architecture is illustrated in this picture of the patio side of the house. Living porch (left) and study (center, behind the pin oak), open onto paved patio. Combined with adjacent lawn, patio creates extra living room during warmer months. Moraine locust (left) filters light in this corner which catches the sun all during the year.

It is against the spirit of America, home of the front porch, to snub one's neighbors architecturally, so the House of Ideas ingeniously avoids this solecism. At the same time, it proves that the blessings of modern home planning are not irrevocably wedded to flat roofs and clinical angularity. The occupants of this house can enjoy the flexibility of an open plan, take maximum advantage of the sun and the out-of-doors; yet the pitched roof, clapboard walls, and warm brick foundation, which were inspired by Illinois farmhouses, mingle diplomatically with the homes of more traditional-minded neighbors. So does the planting, designed to effectively screen out the surrounding lots. Yet because of its variety in height, it is not forbidding to the outside world. Only woody plants that require minimum care have been used-trees, flowering shrubs, and ground coverings-but they have been chosen with respect to texture, color, and seasonal behavior, so that the landscaping will be interesting all year. The front lawn of Merion bluegrass, easy to maintain, relatively weed-resistant, is the talk of the neighborhood. For garden items see page 101.



Garden equipment is neatly stored in a garage closet so that each tool can be quickly located.

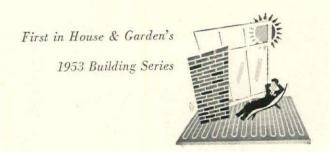


Outdoor furniture is kept during winter months in a storeroom in the garage. Entry is from the outside so that furniture need not be carried around to the front of garage. When closed, doors are unnoticeable due to clapboard facing.

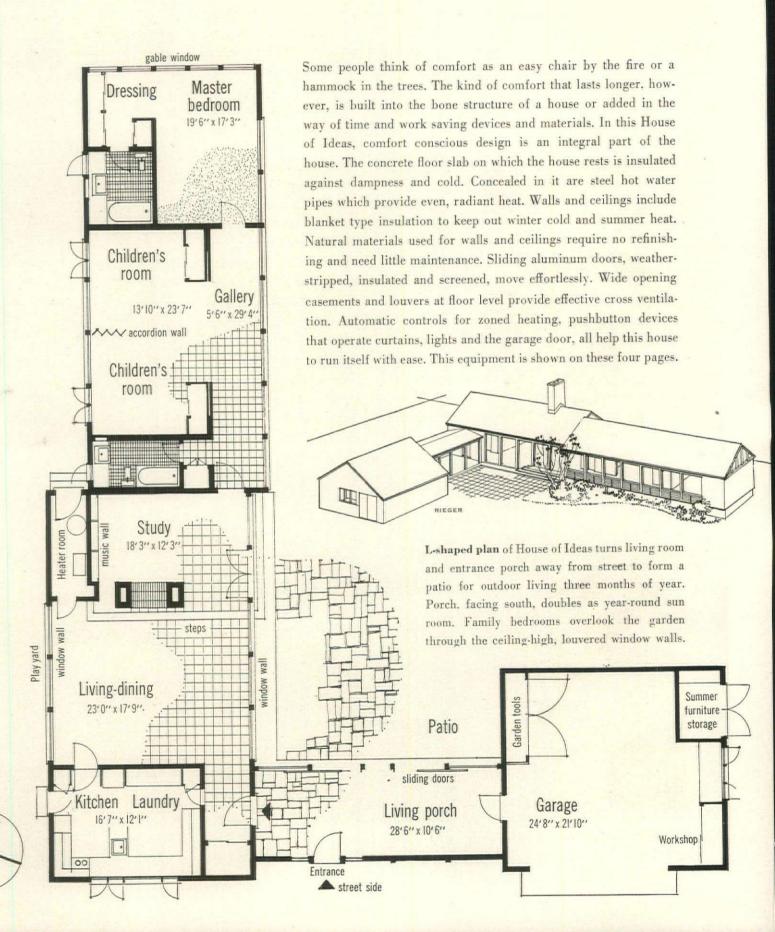


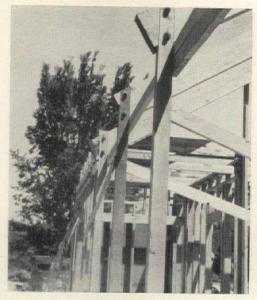


Living-room windows and children's play yard are protected by louvered fence



Good construction is the key to comfort





Wall studs are bolted to roof rafters for sound structure. Walls, roof are covered by weathertight sheathing, clapboards and wood shingles.



Insulation between studs keeps winter heat in, summer heat out. Cedar boards, used as finish on walls and ceiling, take little maintenance.



Clapboards, beveled to resist moisture, enclose walls of house. Flush boards, laid diagonally, are decorative on front walls of the house.



Living room ceiling, 16 feet high at ridge, is finished in narrow cedar boards rubbed with white paint. It will rarely need refinishing.



Unpainted pink brick, used for two way fireplace and steps, improves in appearance with age, needs no upkeep. Floor is oak parquet.



Acoustical ceiling quiets noise in children's room and gallery. Accordion door creates two rooms from one. Sliding doors screen gallery.



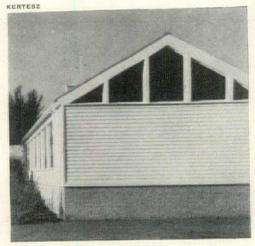
Flagstone floor in living porch takes traffic and hard wear. It is laid on concrete slab which conceals hot water coils to heat porch evenly.



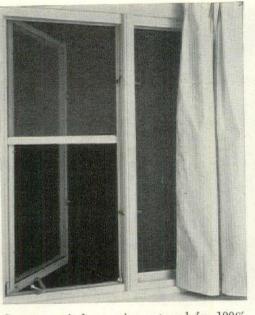
Vinyl plastic tile on floor needs no waxing, won't fade, cleans speedily. Marbleized white tile in children's room, dark tile in gallery.



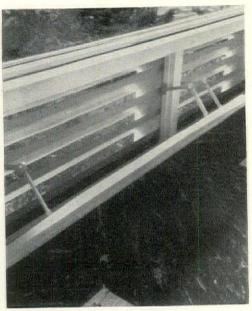
Ceramic tile on floors and walls of bathrooms, is splash-proof, colorful, easily cleaned. Master bath lavatory-counter top is of white marble.



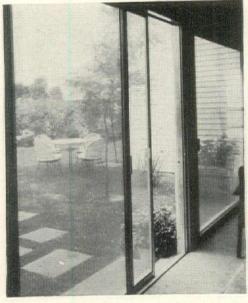
Gable window in master bedroom has glass that resists heat and glare like car windshield. On south side, window admits welcome winter sun.



Casement windows swing outward for 100% ventilation and include built-in screens. You pull them down from top like window shades.



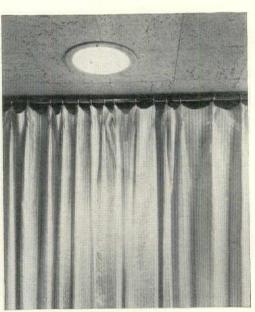
Louvered openings under fixed glass windows provide cross ventilation at floor level in living room. They have screens, hinged panel covers.



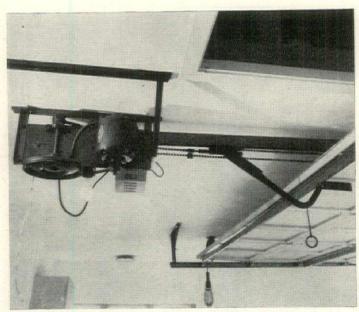
Sliding doors link living porch and patio. Large, light aluminum units (with insulating glass sash and screens) roll easily on tracks.



Insulating glass saves winter heat loss. All fixed glass panels have two panes of glass with hermetically-sealed air space between them.



Recessed ceiling lighting fixtures provide children's rooms and kitchen with general light and direct spotlights for desks, counters, etc.



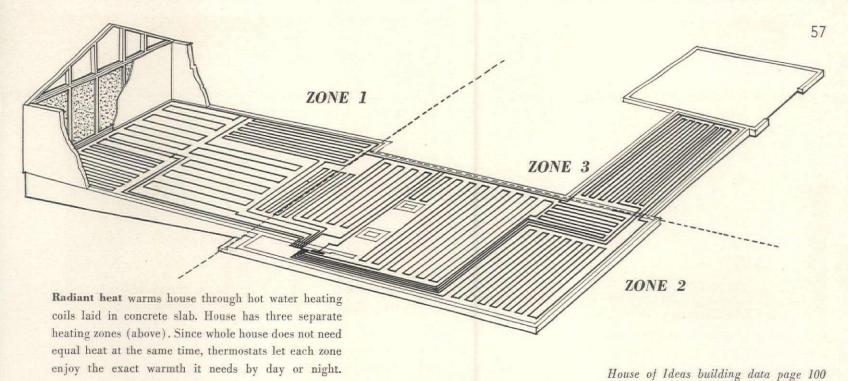
Garage door opens or closes automatically. Press button in car, and radio beam operates garage door electronically. Device can also turn garage lights on or off from car seat by push button.



Master switch of remote wiring system turns all lights on or off and turns on percolator in kitchen.

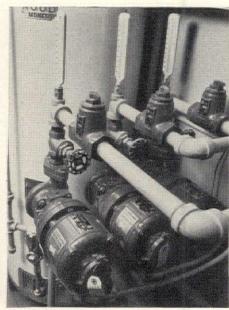


Kitchen fan, in cabinet over burners, pulls greasy vapors through a filter tray and expels them outside.





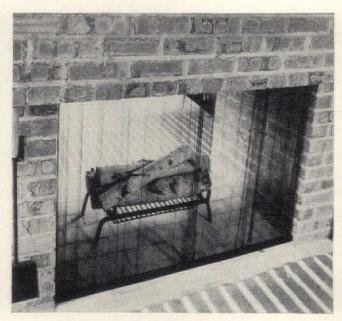
Thermostats in bedroom, living room, porch automatically lower temperature at night, raise it in morning, adjust to the weather.



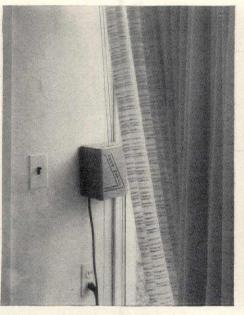
Circulating pumps regulate flow of hot water through steel pipes in floor. Thermostats control pumps for three heat zones.



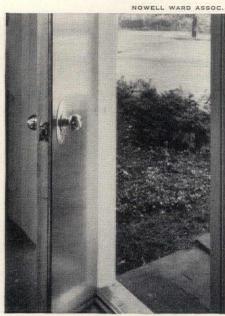
Electric wall heaters in bathrooms supply extra heat when bathing or stepping from shower. A fan in the heater circulates warmth throughout the bathrooms.



Fire screen draws across hearth like a curtain. Closely woven of metal, it keeps sparks, ashes inside the fireplace. Black finish matches tools, needs no shining.



Electric motor guides them on ceiling tracks, locked and opened with one hand. Brass fix-



Flip of switch draws curtains automatically. Key-in-knob hardware lets door be unsaves pulling 30' of gallery curtains by hand. ture is handsome on blueberry front door.

Is your house keeping you down?

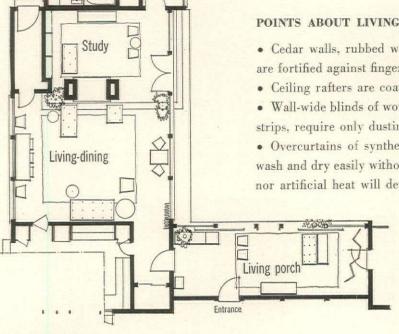
Check these 35 easy-living points from the House of Ideas and see if your own house measures up to 20th-century standards of comfort



Three cars can pull in to park beside the garage.

POINTS ABOUT LIVING-PORCH

- Front hall is really a living-porch. Panels of translucent glass frame the front door, let in light but assure privacy.
- · Window walls can be washed with a sweep of a long-handled squeegee or with spray washer attached to ordinary hose.
- · Living-porch connects garage to rest of house, so you don't have to go outdoors in stormy weather to get to the car. Entrance to garage is visually blocked out by means of floor screen behind sofa.
- · Stone floor can't be damaged by footprints. Furniture upholstery is sturdy and dark colored so as not to show dirt.



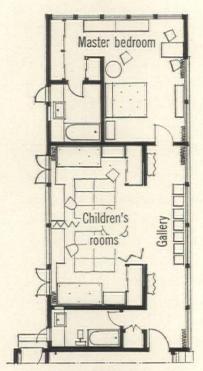
Plan of porch, living room, study

POINTS ABOUT LIVING ROOM AND STUDY

- · Cedar walls, rubbed with white paint and waxed to a permanent finish, are fortified against fingerprints.
- · Ceiling rafters are coated with preservative and exposed to view.
- · Wall-wide blinds of woven strips allow air to circulate between strips, require only dusting and occasional going-over with damp cloth.
- · Overcurtains of synthetic fiber shed dust, wash and dry easily without shrinking. Neither sun nor artificial heat will deteriorate them.
 - · Curtains and blinds in living room and gallery can be drawn automatically by means of electric switches. Wood valances cover tops to eliminate dusting.
 - · Two-way fireplace has no back corners to harbor ashes. Wire-mesh firescreen stops flying sparks.
 - Folding doors protect entire TV-music-book wall against dust.
- · Moth-resistant sponge rubber is laid under carpets to keep them in place, add years to their life.
- · Dining table has slate top which food won't stain. It is placed off the rug so that crumbs can be brushed up easily from floor.
- Cocktail table has opaque glass top that is resistant to cigarette burns and liquor marks.
- · Sofa, armchairs, ottoman upholstered in black and brown fabrics that don't show dirt. Chairs in TV-study can be re-arranged without fear of scuffing legs, thanks to specially-developed light finish.



Natural finishes throughout house need little maintenance



Plan of children's rooms, master bedroom, gallery.



Plan of kitchenlaundry combination.

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Workshop alcove in garage

POINTS ABOUT GALLERY AND BEDROOM WING

- Sliding doors open children's rooms into gallery. Accordion screen folds back, turning whole area into one big playroom. Plastic-tile flooring can be cleaned in one fell swoop.
- Each child has adequate storage: closet, 8-drawer chest, overhead storage space for out-of-season clothes; 6-drawer desk and open shelves for toys, hobby equipment, books.
- · Linen closet in gallery is convenient to all bedrooms.
- Grasscloth on walls and door of master bedroom needs only dusting. Spots can be removed with light application of gum eraser or dry-cleaning fluid.
- Twin beds swing out from double headboard for easy bed-making.
- From master bedroom, lights can be turned on or off in any part of house or garage, coffeemaker started in kitchen by remote control.
- Closets in dressing area of master bedroom are wide and shallow,
 have mirrored doors which slide on tracks, all of which saves groping for clothes.
- Chest in bedroom holds all the lingerie and accessories for two people, has folding doors that slide open and shut.
- Better-than-average storage space provided in master bathroom. Marble-topped cabinet holds towels, bulky medical supplies. Wall cabinet, double the size of ordinary medicine chest, accommodates creams and lotions as well as shaving equipment.
- In children's tiled bathroom, each child has own storage space in counter top cabinet, a half share of medicine chest.

POINTS ABOUT KITCHEN AND LAUNDRY

- Dining counter convenient for serving breakfast, saves running back and forth to living room as family assembles. Four outlets for plugging in electric toaster, griddle, etc.
- Stools tuck under counter, pull out for meals or for sit-down jobs (preparing vegetables and shopping lists, arranging flowers).
- · Cooking units are built in at convenient spots, good working heights.
- After meals, plates can be rinsed in sink, handed right into automatic dishwasher beside it.
- Automatic clothes washer placed back-to-back with dish-washing appliances saves plumbing installation cost.
- Ironer pulls out from under counter top. Wide window sill doubles as sorting shelf for clothes.
 - Automatic water softener (attached to water heater in utility room) makes soap lather readily, clothes and dishes wash easily, keeps pipes from rusting.

POINTS ABOUT GARAGE AND WORKSHOP

- Two-car garage has workshop for hand and power tools, or for storing hobby or sporting equipment.

 Portable workshop equipment can be wheeled out into garage when extra space is required.
- Concrete floor washes easily and quickly with garden hose.
- At far end of garage is storeroom with double concealed exterior doors for outdoor furniture.

Here begin 16 garden pages of ideas for early-bird gardeners: new flowers and fruits; a choice of woody plants in four main regions of the U.S.; a tiny pocket-size garden for backyard gardeners; a larger garden with a 10-year planting plan.

Garden sweepstakes: 1953

Ann Roe Robbins, author and garden expert, gives you a preview of 1953's outstanding garden novelties

Small gardens as well as large will be the brighter this year for some brilliant newcomers in the field. A group of these challengers for your attention is pictured at the right. In the descriptive lists which follow you will discover new ideas for borders, low bedding plants, prize winners among the rose family and an abundance of fragrant cutting flowers for decoration. The avant-garde ladies of our Garden Clubs will be particularly interested in the two All-America selections among the annuals: Alyssum ROYAL CARPET, top winner of a silver medal, and Petunia COMANCHE, bronze medal award winner. As every experienced gardener knows, novelties in the garden world that result from Nature's random "crosses" are rarely true or reliable. It took generations of man-made "crosses" to bring you this year's crop of dependable varieties. Among these, accolades go to 1953's All-America roses, MA PERKINS, a floribunda whose spicy coral-pink flowers bloom hardily from June to frost; and to the crimson hybrid tea rose CHRYSLER IM-

flowered group. For those to whom carpets of wild asters and goldenrod are a boon to autumn fields, nine new perennial asters, a hap-

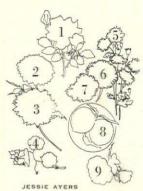
PERIAL. FLAME, a new Cuthbertson sweet pea. is

the deepest scarlet ever introduced in this early-

py improvement on the wild species, make their bow. New chrys-

anthemums offer you a color pace of red golds, soft tans, tawny claret, the coral buffs and strawberry bronzes. Two full-bodied new fruits are making their début this year: STARKING DELICIOUS, a flavorsome pear which has been perfected in a dwarf tree size (as well as standard), is ideal for small gardens. PEACH BOBOLINK, a ripe yellow, is especially good for mild climates. You have a hedge on garden investment if you replace old plants with new ones, because these flowers, plants, and fruits are introduced only after they have been tested for color and form in trial gardens all over the country. The newcomers listed below will give you a lift after the snows fly and early spring crocus signal the advent of planting time. ASTERS: ROSE PINK, an improved Crego type, has a silvery sheen and 4" blooms on a 2' plant. Early Giant AZURE BLUE is wilt-resistant, has early flowers 5"-6" in diameter. Early Beauty SCARLET is a new color in this type and has flowers comparable to the popular HEART OF FRANCE. The color is intensified by dark stems and foliage. The Super Giants, which have the largest of all aster blooms, are now wiltresistant and available in six separate varieties: BEVERLY HILLS, azure; EL MONTE, crimson; LOS ANGELES, shell pink; HOLLYWOOD, white; PASADENA, peach blossom; and SANTA BARBARA, purple. Three new Princess asters complete the color range in this type: NANCY, salmon pink with gold center; VIRGINIA, bright mid-blue; and (Continued on page 90)

Opposite: 1. Rose Buccaneer
2. Dahlia Betty Blossom
3. Dahlia Venita
4. Petunia Comanche
5. Chrysanthemum Kingbird
6. Zinnia Sunny Boy
7. Zinnia Eskimo
8. Peach Bobolink
9. Rose Ma Perkins
Left: 10. Alyssum Royal Carpet









Choose plants to suit your climate

To help you make your selections, H&G asked four landscape architects

to recommend plant lists for various sections of the country

Whether you live in the vigorous Northeast, in sun-warmed Southern California, or the cooler Golden Gate area, in the Mid-Atlantic states. mellow tidewater river regions, or the sultry delta country farther south, there are high and low altitude plants for every garden. Here and on the next six pages, four major specialists have pinpointed choices to fit your private climate in four main parts of the country. Californians, whose sun-loving enthusiasm for outdoor living is legendary, have hundreds of fascinating plants to choose from. They range over stretches of seashore, mountains and desert, basking in a climate as fabulous as it is beneficial. Landscape architect Garrett Eckbo, dynamic designer of many West Coast gardens, recommends those on the list at right. "S" signifies plants for Southern California where drought and heat are considerations. But for the most part, despite early frost, coolness, and humidity in the north, palms, bougainvillea, oak, pineapple guava evergreens, scented shrubs, roses, exotics, and a host of others are ideal in the Far West.

Opposite

Water and sky reflections mirror a brilliant display of azaleas in the Descanso Gardens of the Pacific Southwest. In a natural woodland setting unchanged for centuries, rippling water-courses flow past banks of day lilies, fuchsias, dogwood, begonias, ferns, and rhododendrons. Spreading oaks provide shade for one of the most famous collections of camellias in the West. The sun area of the gardens, founded by Mr. Manchester Boddy, near Los Angeles, is prodigally planted with the world's great roses. To visit the Descanso Gardens, see page 36.

Typical plants for the Pacific Coast selected by Garrett Eckbo

Shade trees for lawn and terrace

Deodar cedar (Cedrus deodara) Lemon gum (Eucalyptus citriodora) S. Pink ironbark (Eucalyptus sideroxylon rosea) S. Canary Island pine (Pinus canariensis) Slender fan palm (Washingtonia gracilis) Carob (Ceratonia siliqua) Camphor tree (Cinnamomum camphora) Rubber trees (Ficus species) S. Sweet gum (Liquidambar styraciflua) Southern magnolia (Magnolia grandiflora) Olive (Olea europaea) Avocado (Persea species) S. Victorian box (Pittosporum undulatum) California live oak (Quercus agrifolia) Sycamore or plane tree (Platanus species) Pepper tree (Schinus species) Chinese elm (Ulmus parvifolia) Siberian elm (Ulmus pumila) White birch (Betula alba)

Small flowering trees

Jacaranda (Jacaranda mimosaefolia) S.
Apricot (Prunus armeniaca)
Tipu tree (Tipuana tipu) S.
Acacia (Acacia species)
Citrus fruits (Citrus species)
Dombeya (Dombeya wallichi) S.
Coral tree (Erythrina species) S.
Chinese magnolia (Magnolia sinensis)
Catalina cherry (Prunus lyoni)
Purple plum (Prunus pissardi)
Evergreen pear (Pyrus kawakami)

Flowering shrubs

Cotoneaster (Cotoneaster parneyi)
Canary bird bush (Crotalaria agatiflora)
Flannel bush (Fremontia mexicana)
Hibiscus (Hibiscus rosa-sinensis) S.
Crapemyrtle (Lagerstroemia indica)
Oleander (Nerium oleander)
Viburnum (Viburnum species)
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California live oak



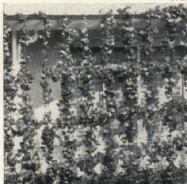
Flowering acacia



Flowering oleander



Evergreen firethorn

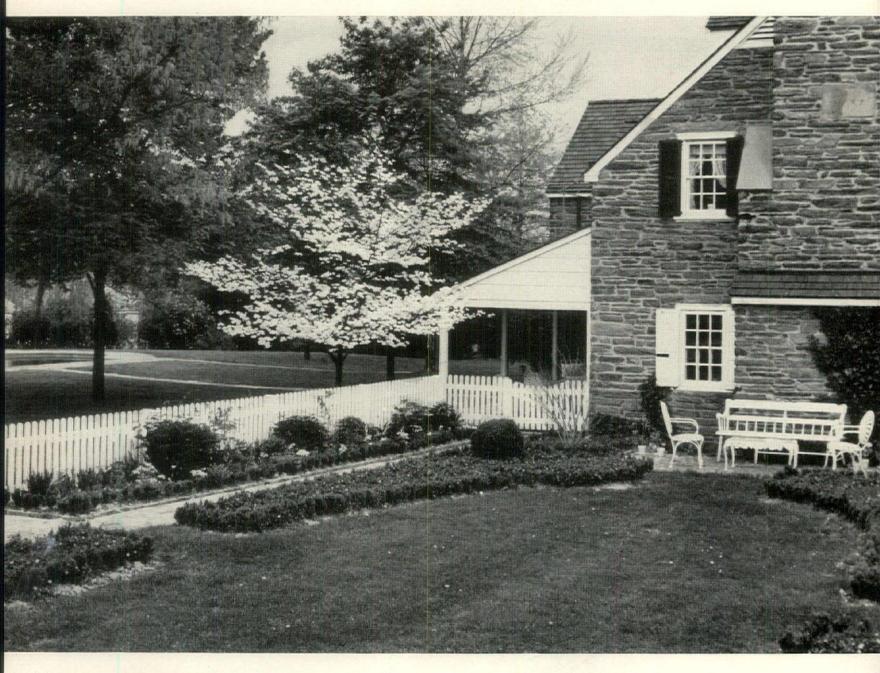


Grape vine

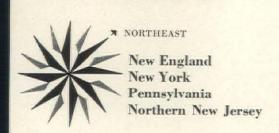
For gardens in the Northeastern states

Fall color, winter hardiness characterize trees, shrubs, vines for Northeast regions

If you imagine that New England's so-called stern and rock-bound coast depends for color on a few hardy plants such as laurel, dogwood, village elms, and sugar maples, turn to landscape architect Henry B. Aul's plant list at the right. All were selected to thrive in the climate and soil conditions of the states listed alongside the compass points above. Among plants that take happily to cool springs and rugged weather are the decorative Oriental red flowering crabs, Chinese fleece vine, orange-eye butterfly bush, and sweet autumn clematis. Mr. Aul, author of two successful gardening books and the forthcoming *How to plant your home grounds*, has built a number of gardens in the Northeast. His suggestions give you a choice of native favorites and the new importations.



This garden planting in Flourtown, Pennsylvania, is adaptable to many sections of the Northeast. Shade trees are sugar maple, sycamore; the flowering tree is a dogwood. Inkberry and yew accent curved beds of hardy perennials, bulbs, periwinkle groundcover. Beyond the garden, an apple orchard. Mr. and Mrs. T. Morris Perot, III, owners; Frederick W. G. Peck, L. A.





Sugar maple



Flowering dogwood



Lilac





Climbing hydrangea

Typical plants for the Northeast, selected by Henry B. Aul

Shade trees for lawn and terrace

English or hedge maple (Acer campestre) Sugar maple (Acer saccharum) Paper or canoe birch (Betula papyrifera) Moraine honey locust (Gleditsia triacanthos) American sweetgum (Liquidambar styraciflua) Pin oak (Quercus palustris) Siberian or Chinese elm (Ulmus pumila)

Small flowering trees

White flowering dogwood (Cornus florida) Washington hawthorn (Crataegus phaenopyrum) Pauls scarlet hawthorn (Crataegus oxyacantha pauli) Saucer magnolia (Magnolia soulangeana) Oriental red flowering crab (Malus hopa) Sargent crab (Malus sargenti) Sorrel tree or sourwood (Oxydendrum arboreum) Double pink flowering cherry (Prunus kwanzan)

Flowering shrubs

Glossy abelia (Abelia grandiflora) Pinkshell azalea (Azalea vasevi) Japanese barberry (Berberis thunbergi) Orange-eye butterfly bush (Buddleia davidi) Japanese flowering quince (Chaenomeles lagenaria) Slender deutzia (Deutzia gracilis) Redvein enkianthus (Enkianthus campanulatus) Burning bush or winged euonymus (Euonymus alatus) Compact winged euonymus (Euonymus alatus compactus) Tatarian honeysuckle (Lonicera tatarica) Common snowberry (Symphoricarpos albus) Star magnolia (Magnolia stellata) Sweet mockorange (Philadelphus coronarius) Rugosa rose (Rosa rugosa) Waterer spirea (Spiraea bumalda, Anthony Waterer) Vanhoutte spirea (Spiraea vanhouttei) Beauty bush (Kolkwitzia amabilis) Persian lilac (Syringa persica) Old-fashioned and French lilacs (Syringa vulgaris) Fragrant or Koreanspice viburnum (Viburnum carlesi) Linden viburnum (Viburnum dilatatum)

Evergreen shrubs

Wintergreen barberry (Berberis julianae) Warty barberry (Berberis verruculosa) Japanese holly (Ilex crenata) Littleleaf Japanese holly (Ilex crenata microphylla) Convexleaf Japanese holly (Ilex crenata convexa) Native American holly (Ilex opaca) Mountain laurel (Kalmia latifolia) Drooping leucothoe (Leucothoe catesbaei) Mountain arcterica (Pieris floribunda) Japanese arcterica (Pieris japonica) Carolina rhododendron (Rhododendron carolinianum) Catawba rhododendron (Rhododendron catawbiense) Rosebay rhododendron (Rhododendron maximum)

Decorative woody vines

Five leaf akebia (Akebia quinata) Boston ivy or ampelopsis (Parthenocissus tricuspidata veitchi) Lows Japanese creeper (Parthenocissus tricuspidata lowi) Trumpet creeper (Campsis radicans) Jackman clematis (Clematis jackmani) Sweet autumn clematis or virgin's-bower (Clematis paniculata) Bigleaf wintercreeper (Euonymus fortunei vegetus) Wintercreeper (Euonymus fortunei radicans) English ivy (Hedira helix) Baltic ivy (Hedera helix baltica) Climbing hydrangea (Hydrangea petiolaris) Silver vine or Chinese fleece vine (Polygonum auberti) Japanese wistaria (Wistaria floribunda)

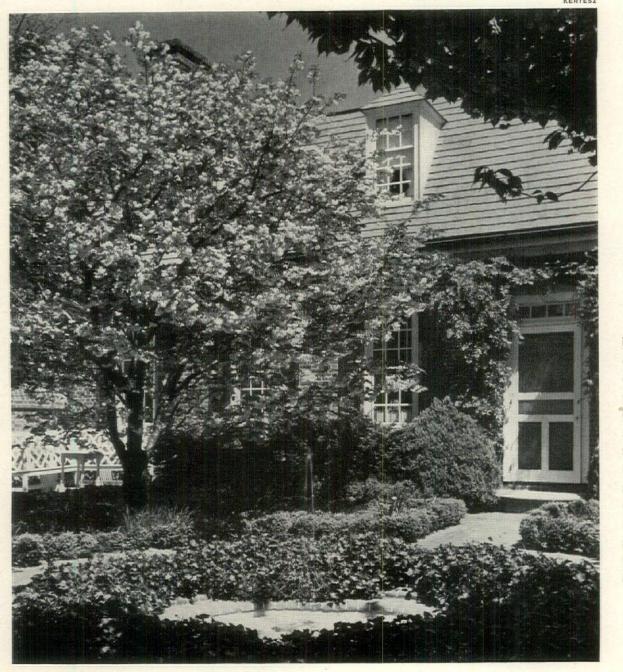


For gardens in Mid-Atlantic states

This region has a wider choice of spring-

flowering trees, shrubs, glossy-leaved evergreens

If yours is a garden growing in the rich loam of Southern New Jersey, along the tidewater country of Maryland's eastern shore, or in green Virginia, your plant choices are prodigal. They include fruit trees, hollies, and shiny evergreens dear to Colonial gardeners; small flowering trees such as quince, white judas, golden rain, fragrant magnolia, and other attractive alternates. Landscape architect Perry Wheeler, a Georgetown designer of city gardens and country places, has provided the plant list for this region. Its climate, tempered in the southerly section by moist winds blowing in from tidal basins and the Gulf Stream, has a salutary effect on these plants. You will find them both decorative and practical.



Double-flowered Oriental cherries bring early spring color to the garden courtyard of Wye Plantation, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Houghton, Jr., on the banks of the Wye River in Maryland. Rounded evergreen box, planted at either side of the door, makes a welcoming entrance. Shiny green ivy edges formal pool, foreground. Landscape architect, Arthur H. Shurcliff.

Typical plants for the Mid-Atlantic selected by Perry Wheeler

Shade trees for lawn and terrace

Southern magnolia (Magnolia grandiflora)
Scarlet oak (Quercus coccinea)
Willow oak (Quercus phellos)
Pin oak (Quercus palustris)
Red or swamp maple (Acer rubrum)
American elm (Ulmus americana)
Empress tree (Paulownia tomentosa)
Ginkgo or maidenhair tree (Ginkgo biloba)
Japanese pagoda tree (Sophora japonica)

Small flowering trees

American redbud (Cercis canadensis)
White judas tree (Cercis canadensis alba)
Flowering dogwood (Cornus florida)
Japanese flowering dogwood (Cornus kousa)
Cornelian cherry (Cornus mas)
Golden-rain tree (Koelreuteria paniculata)
Crapemyrtle (Lagerstroemia indica)
Swamp magnolia (Magnolia virginiana glauca)
Sourwood or sorrel tree (Oxydendrum arboreum)
Pyramidal cherry (Prunus amanagowa)
Oriental cherry (Prunus serrulata)
Japanese flowering crab (Malus floribunda)
Japanese stewartia (S. monadelpha or S. pseudocamellia)

Flowering shrubs

Japanese barberry (Berberis thunbergi)
Cotoneaster (Cotoneaster multiflora calocarpa)
Japanese flowering quince (Chaenomeles lagenaria)
Fortune's fontanesia (Fontanesia fortunei)
Forsythia (Spring Glory, Lynwood Gold, other varieties)
Winter jasmine (Jasminum nudiflorum)
Redvein enkianthus (Enkianthus campanulatus)
Beauty bush (Kolkwitzia amabilis)
Sweet mockorange (Philadelphus coronarius)
Linden viburnum (Viburnum dilatatum xanthocarpum)
Orange fruited tea viburnum (V. setigerum aurantiacum)
Maries doublefile viburnum (V. tomentosum mariesi)
Highbush blueberry (Vaccinium corymbosum)

Evergreen shrubs

Japanese aucuba (Aucuba japonica) Azaleas (A. indica alba and named hybrids) Wintergreen barberry (Berberis julianae) Kingsville dwarf boxwood (Buxus microphylla compacta) English dwarf box (Buxus sempervirens suffruticosa) Camellias (Japanese and Sasanqua varieties) Willowleaf cotoneaster (Cotoneaster salicifolia floccosa) Rockspray cotoneaster (Cotoneaster horizontalis) Spreading cotoneaster (Cotoneaster divaricata) Thorny elaeagnus (Elaeagnus pungens fruitlandi) Polycarpa holly (Ilex aquifolium Jan Van Tol) Burford Chinese holly (Ilex cornuta burfordi) Japanese holly (Ilex crenata; I. crenata rotundifolia) Japanese holly (Ilex crenata convexa; I. c. helleri) Bigleaf Japanese holly (Ilex crenata latifolia) Inkberry (Hex glabra) Mountain laurel (Kalmia latifolia) Glossy privet (Ligustrum lucidum) Drooping leucothoe (Leucothoe catesbaei) Oregon holly-grape (Mahonia aquifolium) Holly leaf osmanthus (Osmanthus ilicifolius aquifolium) Japanese andromeda (Pieris japonica) Firethorn (Pyracantha lelandi; P. crenata) Rhododendrons (Hybrids and species) Hatfield yew (Taxus media hatfieldi) Chamaedrys germander (Teucrium chamaedrys)

Decorative woody vines

Threeleaf akebia (Akebia trifoliata)
Clematis (C. paniculata; C. lanuginosa; C. jackmani)
Trumpet vine (Bignonia Mme. Galen)
English ivy (Hedera helix)
Silver lace vine (Polygonum auberti)
Chinese wistaria (Wistaria sinensis)
Climbing roses (New Dawn, Dr. J. H. Nicolas)



Pin oak



Oriental cherry



Deciduous azalea



Evergreen box



Wistaria vine



Tennessee Eastern Arkansas Northern Mississippi Northern Alabama Northern Georgia South Carolina

For gardens in South Central region

In this region there are many plants that withstand extremes of frost and heat

Between the delta and levee country, Georgia's peach orchards and the windy Arkansas plateaus, there are plants capable of withstanding humid heat and biting frost. As all Garden Club members who live in the South Central states know, this capricious climate takes a thorough knowledge of plant material. We asked landscape designer J. Duke Moody to bring you the list on the right, since he is a native of Memphis, Tennessee, with practical experience at his green thumb fingertips. In this area, Spanish live oaks and river birches are among Mr. Moody's recommendations for shade trees, coupled with a brilliant show of flowering shrubs and small trees such as the star and purple lily magnolias.



Typical plants for the South Central region selected by J. Duke Moody

Shade trees for lawn and terrace

Sugar maple (Acer saccharum)
American beech (Fagus grandifolia)
American holly (Ilex opaca)
Tulip tree (Liriodendron tulipifera)
Southern evergreen magnolia (Magnolia grandiflora)
Black gum (Nyssa sylvatica)
Pin or water oak (Quercus palustris)
Willow oak (Quercus phellos)
Spanish live oak (Quercus virginiana)
River birch (Betula nigra)

Small flowering trees

Flowering dogwood (Cornus florida)
Redbud or Judas tree (Cercis canadensis)
Star magnolia (Magnolia stellata)
Purple lily magnolia (Magnolia liliflora nigra)
Sweet bay (Magnolia virginiana)
Flowering crabapples (Malus; most varieties)
Double flowering peach (Prunus persica)

Flowering shrubs

Crapemyrtle (Lagerstroemia indica)
Peegee or panicle hydrangea (Hydrangea paniculata grandiflora)
Vanhoutte spirea (Spiraea vanhouttei)
Thunberg spirea (Spiraea thunbergi)
Forsythia or yellow bell (Forsythia; all varieties)
Sweet mockorange (Philadelphus coronarius)
Japanese flowering quince (Chaenomeles lagenaria)
Burkwood viburnum (Viburnum burkwoodi)
Slender deutzia (Deutzia gracilis)
Orange-eye butterfly bush (Buddleia davidi)
Japanese kerria (Kerria japonica)

Evergreen shrubs

Glossy abelia (Abelia grandiflora) Japanese aucuba (Aucuba japonica) Japanese kurume azalea (Azalea obtusa japonica kurume) Common American boxwood (Buxus sempervirens) Japanese or common camellia (Camellia japonica) Sasanqua camellia (Camellia sasanqua) Japanese cleyera or eurya (Cleyera japonica) Common gardenia or Cape jasmine (Gardenia jasminoides) Burford Chinese holly (Ilex cornuta burfordi) Convexleaf Japanese holly (Ilex crenata convexa) Littleleaf Japanese holly (Ilex crenata microphylla) Roundleaf Japanese holly (Ilex crenata rotundifolia) Yaupon holly (Ilex vomitoria) Waxleaf ligustrum (Ligustrum lucidum) Leatherleaf mahonia (Mahonia bealei) Nandina (Nandina domestica) Common cherry laurel (Prunus laurocerasus) Zabel cherry laurel (Prunus laurocerasus zabeliana)

Decorative woody vines

Five-leaf akebia (Akebia quinata)
Climbing fig (Ficus pumila)
Carolina jessamine (Gelsemium sempervirens)
English ivy (Hedera helix)
Chinese wistaria (Wistaria sinensis)

Write to H&G for fuller plant list and descriptions.

Opposite

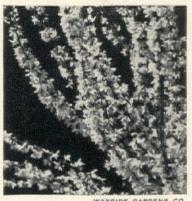
Hidden behind a brick wall on the corner of a main thoroughfare in Memphis, Tennessee, is this Southern garden of romantic charm owned by Mr. and Mrs. Robertson Morrow. For color in the garden, Mrs. Morrow has used varied azaleas, climbing roses, and many flowering trees with such evergreen contrasts as ivies, hollies, yew, and boxwood.



Evergreen magnolia



Redbud



Forsythia Lynwood Gold



Cherry laurel



Creeping fig



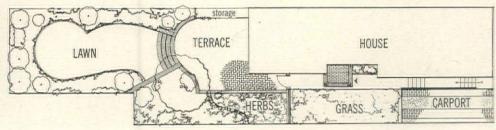


Terrace and flower garden seen from living room windows

This sunlit dining corner is enhanced by lavender clumps, sweet woodruff, crested iris. Here General and Mrs. Schley reach out and pick savory sprays of apple mint to flavor their drinks. At elbow length, too, are chives, tarragon for salads, decorative herbs for fragrance. Extra garden space beside terrace was gained by an 8' addition which provided a carport. Curved line of red sandstone picks up the tone of weathered brick plant beds. Gray and green santolina grows among rocks.

Do you want to turn a small back yard into a garden?

Major General and Mrs. Julian L. Schley's minuscule garden in Washington, D. C., is an inspiration for anyone with a small back yard and a problem of how to transform it. The original 20' x 58' lot was very high behind the house, rising nearly to the base of an old mulberry tree on the property. Excavating to create a terrace, landscape architect Rose Greely provided ample room in this Tom Thumb space for informal meals and outdoor sunning, a garden lawn edged with white candytuft and ivy, beds of flowers and year-round evergreens. By careful grading, the whole garden area was drawn down in a gentle slope toward the house. Since General and Mrs. Schley share a mutual fondness for camellias and azaleas, this plan gives them uninterrupted enjoyment of their favorite flowers from the terrace below, and from their living room windows, above. The curvedtop garden fence is painted a soft avocado-green to frame climbing roses, an espaliered dogwood, and firethorn. A tender, creeping fig hugs the brick wall by the steps. Among refreshing backgrounds of laurel, Chinese holly, taxus, leucothoe, rhododendron, and shiny evergreen privet, clusters of red, white, and pink azaleas bloom profusely. In a built-up plant bed, serving as a rampart for the mulberry tree, is a tiny herb garden. In it. Mrs. Schley grows parsley, tarragon, chives, and six varieties of thyme to flavor her soups and salads. Under the patterned brick wall are pots of gardenias and white geranium. Tulip tones of clear pink, red, white, and yellow thread a ribbon of spring color through borders dotted with primroses and sweet alyssum. In the fall, a small oxydendron (sorrel tree) adds a touch of scarlet to the garden.



Key to compactly planned pocket-size terrace and garden with 8' space added for carport.



Mrs. Schley relaxes with her poodle, Joujou. Garden equipment is stored at right.



Narrow three-door storage holds all essentials for easy garden care. Flower baskets, pots, hand tools, sprayers, dusts and plant food fit on shelves in one section. Cushions for terrace chairs tuck in another. Garden hose is stored in the third section.

A ten year plan gave this garden new personality

If your garden ceases to surprise you, here are

ways to lift its face by easy stages



Terrace with sea view below the house, aptly named "Rocklawn," shows how ledge outcroppings were redesigned to carve out natural steps. Feathery black locusts with trunks clothed in ivy, screen other houses. In front is a verdant ground cover. Rose garden at right, background.

SCOTT HYDE

In 1936-Mr. and Mrs. Harry G. Stoddard's house at Bass Rocks, Gloucester, Massachusetts, sat high up on grass banks which looked like uneasy pincushions; the lawn was humped with big, medium, and small rocks; looming on their view of the ocean, like a behemoth, was a huge summer hotel. The problem posed to landscape architect Fletcher Steele was (1) how to reshape the granite humps in harmonious relation to ground contours, (2) plant out the hotel, (3) screen the place from neighboring cottages without hiding the sea, (4) remove some of the wild shrubbery on the ocean side. Mr. and Mrs. Stoddard's long-term planning and willingness to make changes in easy stages resulted by 1946 in the integrated plan shown on these pages, a boldly brocaded landscape accented with brilliant flower colors and plant textures, all hardy to Cape Ann. The first thing they tackled was the rose garden. Working over a period of five years they pushed and pulled it into lines and tiers that fitted the land. The second summer they piled flower beds on the ledge on the street side for privacy from passers-by. In the next two years large trees were moved to hide houses on either side. On the ocean side there were rocks too big to cover or fill over without disturbing the dip and fall of lawn below the house. So in 1937 they began to split and move them, using the cracked stones for a curved wall. They built the wall in a reverse curve around the veranda of the house and covered its rough texture with espaliered pear trees. In 1938 they used sand from the terraces to create a western desert garden in one rock ledge, as a relief from lush vegetation around it. During the next three years the curved yew hedges took form and in front of them were planted beds of red and pink begonias, marguerites, blue ageratum and pampas grass, as you see them in France. Mr. Stoddard wanted a forthright burst of yellow in the color scheme, and failing with flowers such as marigolds, he tried a group of sharp yellow foliage plants. When the ground was all used up, Mrs. Stoddard realized they had forgotten to plan for a herb garden. Remembering that herbs will (Continued on the next page) grow where

1936-1941 1938 out 1937 1939-1941 1938-1939

Left, and below, a diagrammatic plan of major developments in the garden during ten years.

Terrace built in 1938

Curved plant beds were added, 1939-1941

Flue tile herb garden planted, 1940-1941

One ledge out, others redesigned, 1937-1939

Annual garden and entrance, 1936-1941

Desert garden planted, 1938-1939

Rose garden, 1936-1941. Later changes, 1949

Work area, compost, cold frames, 1945-1946



Enclosure plantings for privacy at entrance are tall evergreen arborvitae and spruce. Border of yews softens stone



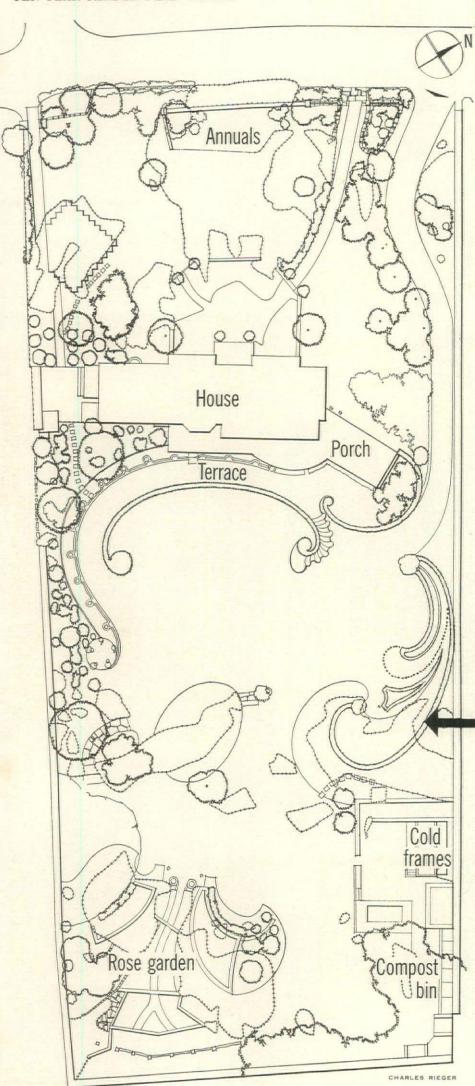
Low junipers at ledge steps hold lawn, rocks in balance. Cone-shaped evergreen terminates curved terrace wall.



Large, white flowering clematis climb through fish net and rope railing. Over fifty varieties are grown at "Rocklawn."



Bamboo fence is bordered by shinyleaved European ginger, gray of Stachyslanata, red-flowered Sedum spectabile.



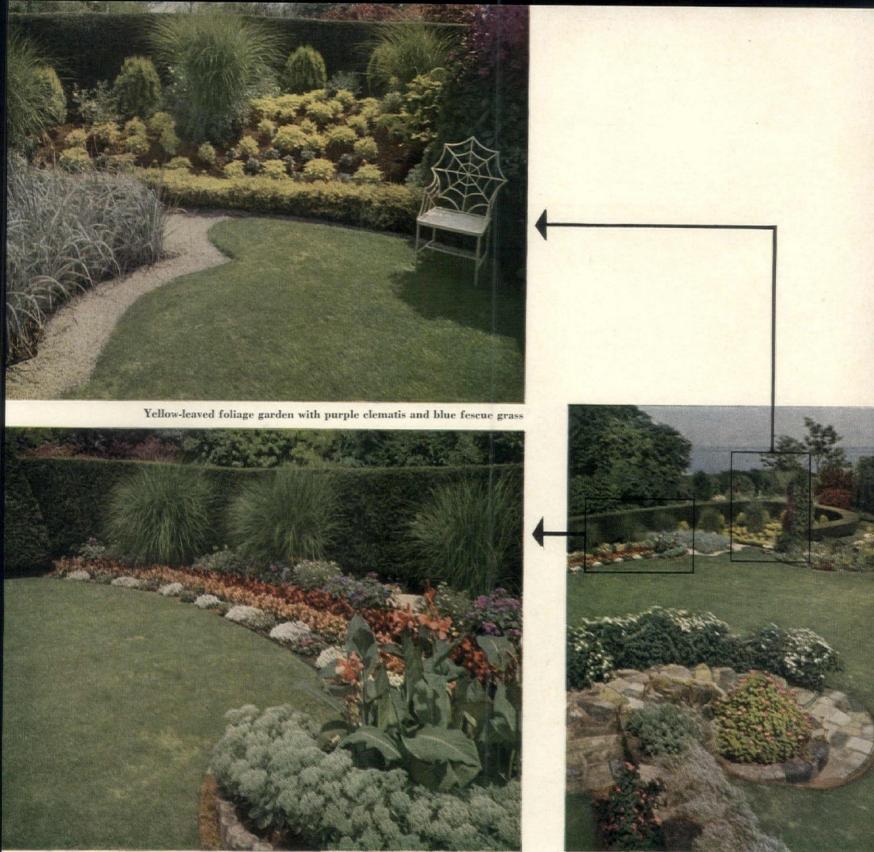


SCOTT HYDE

Bright pink geraniums bloom in swirl of rockside wall, beside steps built in a free effect of shells.

(Continued) water is scarce and soil thin, they made a checkerboard of blue-green factory flue tiles on a flat, solid rock and planted herbs in alternate beds, where the plants grow well. As the years passed they continued to work out details when more ideas occurred to them. One idea, borrowed from China, was the use of bamboo fences. Another resulted in the design of stone steps that lead down from the house terrace. These have curved shapes to suggest the whorls and mutations of sea shells in rock. The pleasure of change and growth has kept up through the years. Some of the original ideas are beginning to be done over again. The rhododendrons, which grew too large and too fast, have had to be spread twice. Big maples were replaced with birches; whole shrubberies were ripped out and replanted to suit the design as it developed. The result of this ten-year plan is a constantly alert and living garden.

If you were sitting on the porch of "Rocklawn." (in plan at left) your attention would be held within the garden because of its design of curving hedges, grassy ramps, a dip of lawn flowing around carvedout rocks. This visual impression of Fletcher Steele's plan shows how a static four-acre place can be developed into a garden of arresting vibrancy. At right, opposite, are the colorful segments which transformed it. His use of color is an engaging shock. A pink gravel path is highlighted by spiny blue fescue grass, massive purple clematis. Chartreuse yellow foliage grows among bristling textures of ravenna grass. Soft, bright annuals edge solid rock. Tea roses. floribundas, and ramblers bloom in descending beds. Beyond this dramatic planting are open glimpses of blue water shimmering between shrubs and trees.



Ravenna grass by clipped yew hedge with brilliant bedding plants

Flowers by swirled steps above a sea view



Mosaic of annuals and bright foliage shrubs



SCOTT HYDE



1. Still life: modern chest with abstract painting



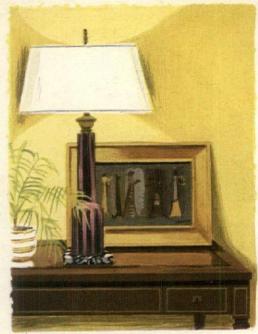
2. Chinese scroll: long story for a long couch



3. Landscaped room divider



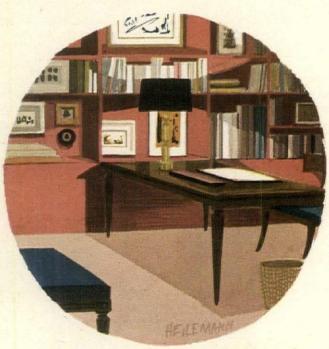
4. Study in off-center balance



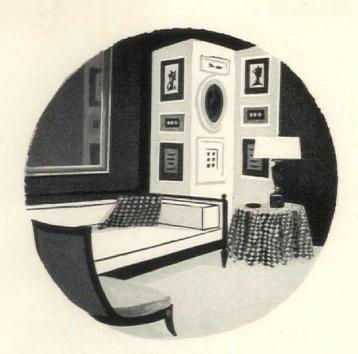
5. Oil at rest under lamplight



6. Well-covered wall



7. Surprise on the bookshelf



8. Screen exhibition

Opposite

1. Over a white chest, balance an abstract painting with splashes of bold color against tall urn. 2. Frame a photograph of a priceless Chinese scroll to run the full length of your long couch. 3. In a one-room apartment, why not hang a landscape with a distant vista as the room divider? 4. Punctuate a low, modern fireplace with a tall Japanese print, deliberately hung off-center. 5. In an intimate corner, revive the old custom of resting a tiny oil on a table under lamplight. 6. If you have a marred wall, cover it entirely with every size, shape, color, and kind of print. 7. Small prints can fill out bookshelves and add variety, by resting on them or hanging inside. 8. Make a conversation piece of a plain screen by hanging it with water colors or lithographs. 9. Hide what's on the shelf with flower or bird prints mounted on panels and hinged together.



9. Five-foot picture shelf

Do it with pictures

Fifth in H&G's series of penny-wise ideas for those who are young in spirit and income

One of the delights and wonders of decorating is how much you can do with pictures, or perhaps it should be said, how much pictures can do for you. Pictures can add a splash of warm color or an accent of gaiety exactly where you need it. They can focus attention on an important wall or, used en masse, hide a bad one. They can add interest to a problem corner, decorate a hallway, or even give the feeling of filling a room while you are still saving to buy that chair or chest you need. Nothing is as much your personal expression as the pictures you hang on your walls. Of course, you may sometimes dream that someday, somehow, you will suddenly come into possession of a Renoir, Van Gogh, or Picasso. But the chances are that in these busy years when you are furnishing an entire house, you won't invest in a large collection of original masterpieces. Fortunately, a picture doesn't have to be a priceless work of art to merit a place on your walls. Today, museums and public libraries will make photographs or photostats of anything they have in any size you wish. You may have to wait several weeks, as these institutions are not set up for widespread selling, but they will charge only pennies and can give you unique reproductions of their most priceless treasures (see Piranesi photostat on page 79). A detail from a good fabric can have the same rich texture as an oil painting and should be framed without glass to reveal it. You can make a beautiful picture from a silk scarf by Brooke Cadwallader of Hermès (one, for example, shows the history of playing cards). Old maps are decorative and interesting and particularly appropriate in a study or library. A collection of old oyster plates can add charm to a traditional mantel. A good poster makes an effective mural for an entrance hall or playroom. Old print books are an unending source of interesting (Continued on the next page)



To decide on best arrangement for a grouping, cut out newspaper patterns and paste in various positions with masking tape, which won't mar walls.

ways to frame prints; with wood,

passe partout, or cake tins

Here are three easy

DO IT WITH PICTURES continued

(Continued) reproductions of birds, shells, flowers. Serigraphs, considered an important art medium by many, deserve a place on your wall. You can make your own collages of personal mementos, or a fern and grass collage (drying different varieties and mounting them on Bristol board under glass). Your own imagination and a sharp eye for the decorative possibilities in objects around you can yield other ideas for bright pictures. To see how effective these can be on your walls, study the ideas by designer Edmund Motyka shown on these pages.

1. Block of wood



To mount a print on wood, have plywood cut to print size. Use lath strips for frame; cut two of these to length of plywood, others to fit flush without mitering.

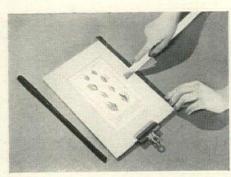


Paste print to plywood with a water soluble glue. Cover frame with gold foil, tape, or paint and nail to plywood with small wire nails. Spray plastic on the print.

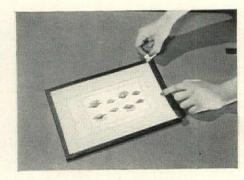
2. Passe partout



Passe partout (gummed paper in colors, gold, silver) makes a 1/4" frame, can be bought in any stationery store. To paste, fold strip in half lengthwise, moisten half.



Smooth onto glass (leave 1" from corners dry), and press out air bubbles with ruler. Paste both verticals first; insert print and backing, turn over, paste down back.



Cut short sides to exact size. Miter corners by cutting diagonally across corners through both strips (pull out underpiece). Center gummed hanger 1" from the top.

3. Cake tins



To frame prints in small cake tins, prepare tin by using flit gun to spray flat paint (diluted 4 to 1). When dry, cover bottom by cementing on marbleized paper.



Paste print down in center and make hairline borders by pasting down strips of passe partout or any dull tape. You can cut these with razor, steel-edged ruler.



To finish, cover with a protecting coat of plastic spray, or clear shellac. Λ grouping of four (these are prints of old masters) will add interest to any wall.



Transform a problem corner wall into a decorative asset with sepia prints of old masters' drawings. Mount them on wood, cover frame with brown tape or gold metal paper. Protect them with a plastic spray.

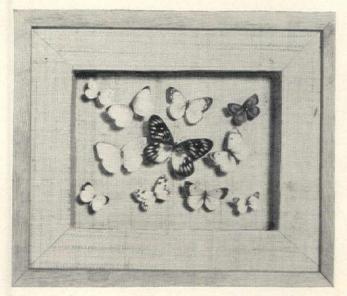


Make bookends or paperweights from well-loved personal photographs by mounting enlarged glossy prints on thick blocks of wood (use wallpaper paste). Protect with a plastic spray.

A plastic place mat, framed in a simple wood strip which has been painted a flat color, adds gaiety to a kitchen wall, can be taken right off hook and put into service for buffet dinner.



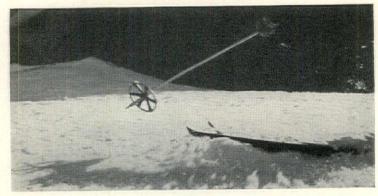
The New York Public Library made this photostat of an 18th-century engraving by Piranesi for only \$2.50. It was framed in black and gilt (the mat is black-and-gold), hung in an off-center position, on sofa wall.



Arrange your own composition of butterflies, sea shells, antique buttons, or whatever you like to collect; frame in a deep shadowbox of natural wood for an informal corner.



House & Garden's Baedeker



A welcome sound to skiers; the brisk crunch of spring corn snow

Skiers' choices on the North American Continent



The ski patrol packs out a run on Dollar Mountain at Sun Valley



Unusual Skimobile hoists skiers at North Conway in New Hampshire



A forest of skis outside the warming hut at St. Sauveur, Quebec

There's a boundless variety of ski resorts from the Canadian mountains to the American desert

Rummage around a mountain in the United States or Canada in the next few months and you are almost bound to bump into a ski resort. And if the woolly bears' predictions have turned out to be correct, the country air, as you read this, should be reverberating with the muted sounds of initiates performing the ritual of the Slalom or the Schuss. Should you feel similarly inclined, you will probably end up at one of the following centers. At Québec, dominated by the Château Frontenac, you commute to Lac Beauport, Valcartier, and Mont Sainte Anne. The Lac Beauport trail from the top of La Montagne du Lac provides beginners with a long but easy descent. There are other more difficult trails on St. Castin Mountain, six tows, and one T-bar lift. Valcartier has two rope tows and one T-bar lift. Mont Sainte Anne is essentially a competitors' paradise, having a 11/2-mile run with a vertical drop of 2,100 feet, and an average gradient of 17 degrees, as well as a 70-meter hill for jumping. At Baie St. Paul, 20 miles west of Murray Bay on the St. Lawrence River, there is a younger but excellent winter sports area. The local club uses the Chalet St. Aubin as the center of its activities, and maintains mountain trails bordering the river. Most of the skiing in Eastern Canada is done in Montreal's own backyard, the rolling Laurentian Mountains, 40 miles north of the city. Well-suited to both downhill running and cross-country touring, this area is one of the most intensely developed ski territories in North America, crisscrossed by 1,000 miles of trails. The Maple Leaf Trail begins at Shawbridge, passes through famed St. Sauveur, and continues northward for 100 miles to Labelle. For downhill enthusiasts there are hills 69, 70, and 71 at St. Sauveur, where you will also find 15 rope tows, two T-bar and one J-bar lifts. Accommodations in the Laurentians are as varied as the slopes. To name some of the most conspicuous, there are: the Mont Gabriel Club at Piedmont; Ste. Adele (Continued on page 102) Lodge, and the Chanticler

Mechanics of living

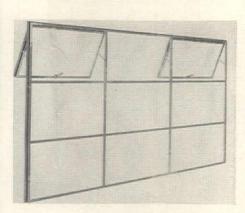
Does day-to-day living in your house leave something to be desired? With these efficient new products, there's no reason to suffer from poor light, faulty ventilation of fixed windows. There's no need to bump your head on cabinet doors, to be at a loss when cooking fat catches on fire, to make a hard job of removing paint from furniture you want to refinish. Actually, it's just common sense to take advantage of the many new and efficient ideas around. Study these products and learn how to remedy shortcomings in your home.



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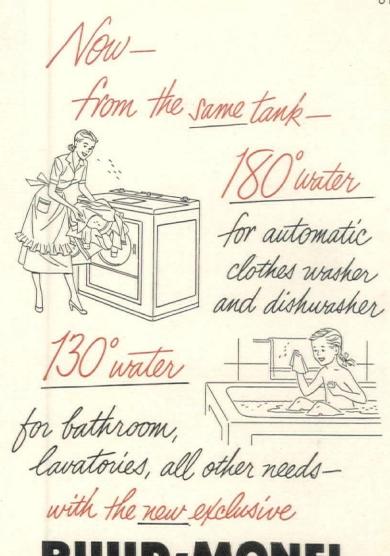
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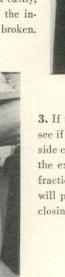
How to repair doors that stick

It is much easier to fix a door that sticks than it is to exert muscle-power every time you open or close it. If you study the pictures and captions below, you can fix the most common causes of trouble: excess paint around the bolt or frame, a handle that won't turn properly, a strike plate that has moved out of position.

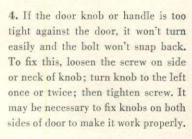


1. If a closet door won't close tightly it may be because the closet is too full of clothes and paraphernalia, and something has slipped between the door and its frame. The obvious remedy is a closet housecleaning so that door can fit snugly into its frame.

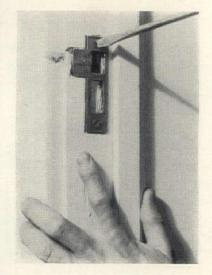
2. If the bolt sticks, most likely cause is excess paint around it. First, scrape off the paint with a knife. Then lubricate with oil or powdered graphite (it comes in a handy squeeze-box container). If bolt action still doesn't work easily, call the locksmith to check the inside spring, which may be broken.



3. If the door itself sticks, check to see if there is too much paint on inside corners of the frame. Scrape off the excess paint. Remember that a fraction of an inch of excess paint will prevent a well-fitted door from closing tightly or will make it stick.







5. If door still won't latch, the metal strike plate on the door frame may have moved out of position. (In most cases it has been pushed back by the action of closing door.) To re-align bolt and its hole in the plate, loosen the screws that hold the plate, move plate to its original position, then retighten the screws so they hold firmly.

6. If door has shrunk or its frame has spread, the bolt can't reach the metal strike plate. To remedy this, put shims (strips of metal, wood, or ordinary cardboard) under the strike plate. Remove the plate, cut shim to the same outline (be sure to make a hole where the bolt fits in), and replace plate with the shim under it.





7. If door has moved up or down from its original position, bolt and hole in strike plate won't meet. In this case it's far easier to make the hole bigger than to re-hinge the door. Simply file down the plate around the hole so it holds the bolt.

8. If wood behind strike plate is worn, screws won't grip. Fill screw holes with glue-coated wood pegs or with a mixture of glue and plastic wood. When dry, trim the filler and reset screws.





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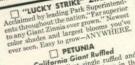
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Fern culture is less difficult than most other branches of horticulture, for most orner pranches of normantice, to ferns multiply rapidly, are long lived, and are little bothered by insects or Although different kinds of ferns flourish under widely different cultural conditions, certain factors are favorable to the growth of practically all species. Most importantly, ferns like humus-rich soil, whether they grow in open fields, marshes, woods or in the crevices of ledges and cliffs. Therefore, when you plant ferns, use plenty of peat, leaf mold, or exceedingly rich compost. Appropriate soil acidity or alkalinity is another essential, although some species are much more tolerant than others. Most woods and ledge ferns like to have their roots in contact with rocks, from which they extract nutrient chemicals.

Ferns do not grow well in hard ground or compacted soil. It's a good idea to cultivate your fern garden while standing on stepping stones or a grass border within easy reach of the plants. Woods ferns thrive best when the garden is generously covered with leaves, needles, and other loose mulch. Oak and beech leaves are excellent for

Sun and shade are important fac-

tors in fern culture, so heed carefully the requirements of each species. No less important is an ample water supply, for even those species which grow naturally in dry locations will thrive most luxuriantly if given an extra amount of water. Nearly all ferns need protection from strong winds, especially during the fall, winter, and early spring, when the embryonic fronds are easily dehydrated and killed.

It's fun to collect ferns for your own garden, but it's essential that in your collecting you do not lessen the supply of any of the species that are already scarce. Your state garden club organization or local wildflower preservation society has lists of plants which need protection and those which you may collect freely.

You may transplant ferns at any time of the year, but it is easier to do the job at a season when they are not growing actively—generally in the late growing actively—generally in the late summer, fall, and very early spring. A certain amount of equipment is necessary. Take with you a long trowel, a

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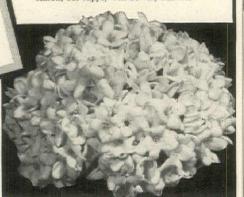
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At the Descanso Gardens near Los Angeles you can see magnificent camellias and roses in a woodland setting

HALF hour's drive from Los Angeles takes you on a journey of discovery to a hidden valley along the northern base of the circling San Rafael Hills. Here, growing over 160 acres, is a woodland garden, with massed azaleas blooming by fern-bordered paths, waterfalls, flowing streams, and a remarkable rose garden portraying more than 500 years of rose history. A forest of native oaks spreading over much of the sheltered valley provides shade and a natural setting for one of the largest collections of camellias in the U. S. A.

The land for these inspired gardens was acquired in 1934 by Manchester Boddy, then publisher of The Los Angeles Daily News, who wanted to preserve its natural beauty and tranquility. Mr. Boddy has fittingly named the gardens 'Descanso,' meaning 'Where I rest.' Originally this hidden valley was part of 34,000 acres of the romantic old Rancho San Rafael, now the site of homes in communities such as La Canada, Flintridge, Glendale, and sections of Pasadena. Even today the forest that has covered the hills of San Rafael for centuries remains untouched and the little canyons that penetrate it abound with wild life. Here amateur botanists will find more than 200 varieties of chaparral (thickets of thorny shrubs or dwarf trees). Bird watchers can observe flashes of winged color in the woods. Rabbits and ground squirrels scamper in a protected game preserve where opossum, coon, fox, and deer can live without fear.

But the real lure to visitors are the Descanso flower gardens now under the direction of Dr. Walter E. Lammerts, Chief of Hybridizing and Research. Since 1945 Dr. Lammerts has been assembling, testing, and growing camellias from seed collected in Japan, China, Indo-China, and India. Today you can see practically all varieties of Camellia japonica, Camellia sasanqua, and Camellia reticulata in brilliant array at the gardens. Dr. Lammerts and his staff have taken special care to put the camellia plants where nature intended them to bloom-beneath forest trees among ferns, azaleas, rhododendrons, and wild flowers.

A stream, rising in the San Rafael hills, flows through the Descanso woods on its way to the Arroyo Seco, just above the site of Pasadena's Rose Bowl. Like many watercourses in the semiarid country, this one used to flow only during the rainy season. By an ingenious use of underground pipes, landscape architect J. Howard Asper dammed up its waters at the outgoing edge of the forest, piped them back to the starting point, to send the current constantly rippling over 17 miniature waterfalls. These small cascades flow past banks of azaleas, day lilies, fuchsias, begonias, bleeding hearts, dogwood, and long stretches of native waterside plant life.

The sun area of the gardens, used in old ranchero days for vineyards, is dedicated to the History of the Rose. Species that were in existence long before the 15th century bloom here. From these original roses, every variety of rose has been derived, either as seedlings, sports, or through cross breeding.

When you visit the 'History of the Rose' garden, stories of discovery of each rose are told on the nameplates. You will see Empress Josephine's contribution to rose culture; the romance of Joseph Pernet and Marie Ducher (great names in rose legend); an account of the Syrian Rosa damascena, brought to France by the Crusaders; the rose story of the war between the houses of York and Lancaster; the white musk rose known to Persian poets; the rose of Wonder Thorn, the 100-petaled form of the wichuraiana from Eastern Asia. A second garden presents a complete collection of prizewinning roses since the founding of the All-America Rose Selections, Dr. Lammerts, notable hybridizer, has created such All-America greats as the Char-Armstrong, Mirandy, Taffeta, High Noon, and The Chief. His recent triumphs are this year's Chrysler Imperial and the richly colored Descanso Pillar. In the third rose garden, you will find unusual seedlings developed by the Descanso research staff. None are in existence outside the gardens.

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narrow-bladed shovel such as those used by nurserymen, pruning shears, and a keen-bladed pocket knife. In addition you will want a stout-handled basket for carrying your plants with soil and leaf mold out of the woods, several flat wooden boxes in which to carry them in your car, a quart or so of water with which to moisten toodry roots, a notebook, and an assortment of watertight bags. Some absorbent material such as sphagnum moss or dampened peat moss will be useful for protecting roots from which soil has inadvertently stripped.

When you have located your fern, first jot down the conditions under which it is growing, then carefully remove the ground-litter and make a deep circular cut all around the plant. Sever any roots or underground shoots from other plants, so that they will not break your fern's root-ball when you lift it. Pry the plant out, and either bag it or wrap its roots in waterproof material. Then collect a quart or two of the surrounding soil, for use around the fern in your garden. As soon as you reach home, place your prizes in the shade, and water them generously. Take plenty of time to decide upon just the right spot for each plant. Then dig an oversized hole for each, and put some of the collected woods loam in the bottom. Set the plant at exactly the depth at which you found it growing, and pack in additional soil, making certain that no air pockets are left around the roots. Cover the area with ground-litter, and water thoroughly. If you have done the job well, the new fern will thrive as if it had always been growing in its new location.

Although almost all kinds of ferns reproduce themselves freely by means of underground rootstocks, or by such special devices as berry-bearing or tiprooting, the most interesting and prolific method of propagation is by means of spores. It is inexpensive, requires little space, can be carried on indoors, and permits you to increase your collection while leaving the original plants in place. Unlike flowering plants, fern plants spring not from a seed but from a tiny lichen-like plant known as a prothallium, which itself was generated from a dust-sized spore. Ferns produce millions of spores, but it is only one spore in many millions which happens upon exactly the combination of temperature, humidity, and shade to produce a prothallium.

Essential to successful propagation from spores are damp soil, shade, and humidity. All of these conditions can most conveniently be maintained in a terrarium with a removable glass cover. Nearly any kind of transparent, watertight container will serve. Fish bowls are excellent. Sterilize both the terrarium and its contents before you plant the spores; provide some means, such as an empty flower pot sunk in one corner, so that you can add water without disturbing the spores and tiny plants.

We use a rectangular aquarium, in the bottom of which we first place about an inch of sterilized sand and then an equal depth of peat or leaf mold. Into the peat we then sink the under sides of a few small granite and limestone rocks, and fragments of brick, flower pots, and broken concrete. Over all of these, and over the exposed peat, we spread an eighth-inch layer of finely-sifted garden loam.

Fern spores are borne in special "fruit dots" or spore cases, usually located on the under sides of fronds. Pick these fronds as soon as the ripened spores will rub off on a white handkerchief, and place them in envelopes to dry. Then shake the almost invisible spores into your terrarium. Let the spores fall where they will, and do not hesitate to dust many species into the same terrarium. Ferns hybridize easily, and by mixing the spores you are likely to obtain interesting specimens.

Our own experience indicates that best results are obtained if you give the terrarium about one hour of sunlight late each afternoon. Within about two months of the time you spread the first spores, a greenish tinge should appear in the terrarium, and this will become more intense as the microscopic prothallia grow. Within three or four months the entire floor of the terrarium should be a vivid green and by early fall the first threadlike fronds should appear. During the winter, you may keep your terrarium either in your living quarters or in an unheated building. We have obtained our best results at intermediate temperatures varying between 40 and 60 degrees. In any event, remember that the terrarium must be well watered and the humidity kept high.

When the young ferns acquire three or four fronds each, you may transplant them into small pots of humus-rich soil. Keep these buried in wet sand or peat in a covered terrarium exposed to a little sunlight each day. Most varieties will be ready for transplanting into your garden about a year after the spores were sown; or, if you have room, you may wish to keep them in pots for two years.

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Once well established, ferns are practically everlasting, increasing in size and beauty until they lend interest and distinction to any garden. But with fern culture, as with other hobbies, success is the result of knowledge; so if ferns intrigue you, read several wildflower and fern books for more information about this rewarding hobby.

CLARENCE AND ELEANOR BIRDSEYE

Editor's Note: Clarence and Eleanor Birdseye's Growing Woodland Plants, Oxford Univ. Press, 1951, has an excellent section on ferns, as has Helen S. Hull's Wild Flowers for your Garden, Barrows, 1951. For a list of nurseries which specialize in these plants, write House & Garden's Reader Service, 420 Lexington Avc., New York 17, N. Y.

How to plan a workshop

Walter Durbahn, author of "Walt's Workshop" TV program, tells what you need for a home workshop

know the deep satisfaction of working with tools and wood. I also know the economic advantages of being able to "make it yourself." So it does not surprise me to find that more Americans than ever before are interested in woodworking (one survey reports it the number 2 home hobby) and therefore in having a home workshop.

This is one hobby you can start at any age, and with the simplest equipment. If you are starting from scratch, it is better to make a modest start and master one tool at a time than to set up an elaborate shop with a bewildering array of tools. But you will find that hand-tool skills develop with normal patience and application, and that power-tools have such built-in accuracy that you need comparatively little skill.

If you do not already have the few essential tools for home repairs, these should be your first purchases: hammer, saw, tri-square, screw driver, hand drill, pliers, and an adjustable wrench. As you feel the urge to build things, you will want a work bench with vise and a couple of saw horses; also a jack plane, a few chisels, framing square, coping saw, brace and a few auger bits, a level, possibly a soldering iron, and a cold chisel. All this equipment can be housed in a corner of the garage. basement, or attic. Later, for a complete home workshop you will want power tools and machines.

The House of Ideas has an excellent layout for a practical workshop. Along one side of the garage, in a space just 5' x 13', are a work bench, tool cabinet, and three basic machine or power tools-8" table saw, 10" band saw, and tool grinder. Since these are on casters, and since one or both cars can be temporarily moved out while working on a big project, the shop can be rearranged and expanded at will.

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Decorator Doors. Now you can match or put the focal point of your room on the door. Decorator doors are of paneled Ponderosa Pine and you can paint them to match or contrast your room colors. Decorating tips given here can turn the whole project into a lot of fun. Sketches show typical interior and exterior doors available. 25c. Ponderosa Pine Woodwork, HG 1, 38 S. Dearborn St., Chicago 3.

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PETUNIA LIPSTICK, an early blooming dwarf bedding petunia, bears 21/2" flowers of carmine-rose overlaid with salmon flowers on 12"-14" compact plants. PINK FRILLS produces brilliant rose-pink ruffled flowers on compact, well rounded plants.

scaniosa. There are two new selections from the Giant Imperial type pioneered by BLUE MOON. They are husky, heat-resistant 4' plants, easily grown from seed, that bloom profusely until frost, BRIDESMAID ranges in color from delicate to mid-salmon pink, LAV-ENDER MOON has flowers in shades from light to medium lavender.

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SWEET PEAS: ROSELLA, FLAME and ELYSSE are three new varieties of Cuthbertson sweet peas, the strain noted for

its ability to withstand heat, ROSELLA is a medium shade of rose pink on a white ground, with large, deeply-waved flowers on long, robust stems. FLAME is the deepest scarlet ever introduced in the early flowered group. ELYSSE, soft, deep salmon pink with an amber suffusion, has unusual vigor and productivity for this color. GENERAL DOUGLAS MAC-ARTHUR, a giant sweet pea, is a rich dark crimson with longer stems than others in its color class

VERBENA: The new verbena this year, SPARKLE, is a dwarf plant. It grows erect, neat, and compact, and stays uniformly small throughout the growing season. SPARKLE has bright scarlet flowers with a large white eye. The 9" plants have 12-15 flower clusters so tightly arranged that the effect is a solid mass of color.

VIOLAS: These are actually perennials but you can class them as annuals since they bloom easily from seed the first year. There are two new violas this year, both excellent, GEORGIA PEACH is aptly named, with delicate peach-colored large flowers, slightly ruffled on the edges. The plants are well formed and uniformly compact. SCOTTISH YEL-LOW has deep golden flowers much larger than ordinary violas. Although not quite so early to bloom, this new variety holds its color and maintains flower size much better during warm weather. The 5"-6" plants have a dwarf, compact growth.

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of the wild asters which, with goldenrod, make the fields so lovely in the fall. A famous nursery has been working on the problem of making perennial asters more prolific, hardy, and with clear colors. Out of 6,000 seedlings, the following nine varieties are being introduced this year: ALASKA, double, 21/2" marble-white flowers on upright 24"-30" plants; ALCIDA, purple-garnet masses that cover a tightly growing 20"-24" plant; AQUILLA, semi-double, pale blue 2\\(^1\)2" flowers, 24"-30" tall; EDWINA, pyramidal clusters of light violet-blue flowers on 2'-3' plants; ERMA, semi-double, 11/2"-2" light orchid-purple flowers on upright, rounded 15"-18" plants; PALOMA, deep blue, with 24"-30" pyramidal spikes well covered with blooms; SAMIRA, deep campanula-blue flowers on 30"-36" upright stems; SELMA, semi-double, rosylilac 21/2" flowers that cover 15"-18" mound-like plants; YOLANDA, semi-double, clear pink, its 2" flowers borne on upright spikes instead of flat clusters, on plants 24"-30" tall, and rigid.

CAMPANULA PERSICIFOLIA WIRRAL BELLE will grow well either in the sun or in part shade. The 3' plant is covered with semi-double, deep violet-blue flowers.

CHRYSANTHEMUMS: KINGBIRD, a shimmering light rose-pink with bufftan reverse, carries its 5"-51/2" blooms 31/2' high. BOWL O'GOLD, the best new yellow cushion, is a low, spreading plant which gives shapely blooms about September 15. CONDOLIER has 31/2" claret flowers overlaid with crimsonvermilion. ADMIRATION has very double 3" flowers, a peach blend flushed with red gold. The soft light tan flowers of REVERIE are tinted coral-buff with a deep mahogany eye. MISCHIEF is very hardy, with tiny daisy-like flowers that range from beetroot purple to deep red. IMMORTELLE has 3" double flowers with a rich, even, yellow color and red eye. snow elf, gleaming white, bears 11/2" pompons on 2' sprays in mid October. THOR is a compact 10" plant with 21/2"-3" semi-double dark lavender flowers. MEADOWLARK produces quantities of 31/2"-4" golden tan blooms on well balanced 3' plants. wood duck forms a compact mound with long, stiff stems and deep rose-pink flowers, creamy tan on the reverse. The strawberry red bud of ROBIN opens to very full, warm strawberry-bronze flowers 41/2"-5" in diameter.

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DIANTHUS: CHEERFULNESS is a compact, medium-size plant with 4"-6" stems, each topped with a big single 2½"-3" spicily fragrant flower. The color is Tyrian rose with maroon center. CRIMSON GLORY is the darkest red dianthus so far developed among the hardy kinds. Its flowers are freely produced on 15" stems; the foliage is blackish green. THE BISHOP has very fragrant purple flowers which are freely borne throughout the summer and early fall. SPOTLIGHT has fully double 1½" carnations of rich crimson vermilion.

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Roses

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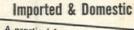
DESCANSO ROSE, a pillar that will grow to 8' without support, bears large coral to scarlet flowers with yellow shading at the base on long, almost thornless stems. PARADE, an everblooming climber, will grow in semi-shade as well as full sunshine. It bears masses of spicy fragrant light rose-red flowers heavily in the spring and fall, and intermittently throughout the summer.

The following roses are all hybrid teas unless otherwise noted.

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CONFIDENCE comes to us from Francis Meilland, who originated PEACE. It is a seedling of PEACE and the French rose MICHELLE MEILLAND, a pink blend. The result is a peach-toned pastel. The buds have the long, streamlined PEACE shape and the flower petals have a light yellow base with shell pink edges and an occasional stream of white in between. The 3'-4' plants are bushy, upright, and well branched.

DETROITER bears deep velvety red, high-centered, fragrant flowers on 5' plants with abundant foliage.

EDEN, a clear pink seedling of PEACE, has been a European medal winner. The blooms are large and firm with 40-50 large, lightly ruffled petals; the plants have great vigor and fragrance.

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JOSEPHINE BRUCE was awarded a gold medal by the Horticultural Society in England. It is dark velvety-red highlighted with scarlet and retains its brilliance and velvety texture all during the growing season. The abundant blooms have an odd nut-like fragrance.

LODESTAR is very double, with spicy, sweet fragrance. Large apricot buds open to peach-colored flowers with buff pink outer petals. The plant is bushy, 2½'.3' high, with medium green foliage.

MA PERKINS, a 1953 All-America Rose Selection, is a floribunda cross between two of the hardiest rose varieties, RED RADIANCE and FASHION. The coral pink flowers bloom from June to the first killing frost.

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REMEMBRANCE has deep canary-yellow buds which, when fully expanded, are flushed light pink at the tips of the petals. It is a strong, vigorous 4' plant.

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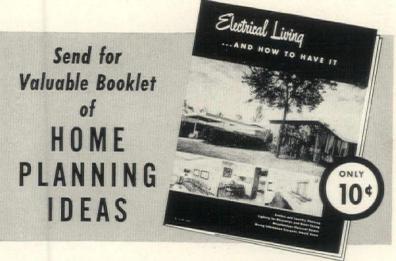
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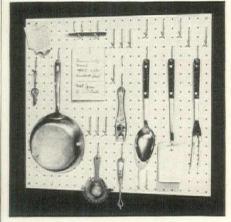
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Household short cuts

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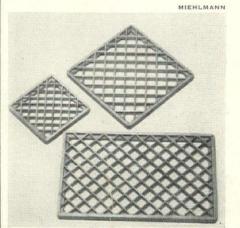
A Peg-Board hook rack neatly files dozens of utensils and tools within finger reach; adds needed storage space on wall or inside closet doors of the kitchen, work-room, garage, or utility closet. Peg-Board's 20" x 23" with 24 interchangeable hooks, 4 spring clips. In white or you can paint it to match your wall colors. \$3.98 at Hammacher Schlemmer.



Warp-proof skillets will withstand hard use without buckling or warping. These new Mirro fry pans are made of the same strong metal used in pressure pans. Hanging ring slides out of way when pan is in use. 7" \$1.75; 9" \$2.75; 10" \$3.45; 11" \$3.95. Miller & Rhoads, Richmond, Va.



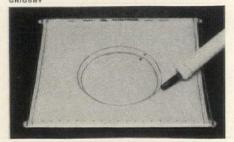
An electric polisher can do away with the harder chores of housekeeping. The Regina Twin-Brush needs only a guiding hand to scrub kitchen floors, polish woods, buff counters, tabletops, fireplace bricks. \$64.50. Sanding kit for reconditioning, \$10.95. Jordan Marsh, Boston, Mass.

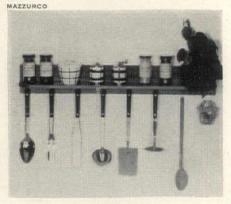


Wood trivets to protect tabletops are the handwork of Swedish craftsmen. Use them as hot plates or as vase stands. Natural hardwood in 3 sizes: 13½" x 9", \$3.50; 8¾", \$2.75; 5½", \$1.95. From Marshall Field, Chicago.



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Chef's shelf of fine hand-rubbed Parana wood is as decorative as it is useful; an answer to the real need for storage in kitchen or dining room. Hang it close to the range for spices, kitchen tools, saucepans. Shelf, \$3.95. From Kresge's Newark, New Jersey.

Cookies by the dozen are easy to turn out in the Mirro press. The copious barrel makes 80 at one filling; a twist of the wrist turns out any one of 12 patterns. Cutters, 2 decorating tips, and press for \$2.95 at Altman's, N. Y.

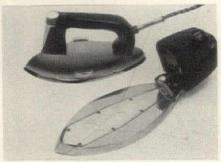
Piemaking is a delight with this new Foley Pastryframe. It stays flat, won't slide or wrinkle;

the dough won't stick. Marked with 8" and 9" circles. \$1.98 includes easy pastry-making les-

son, plastic container. Foley Manufacturing Co., Minneapolis.



New Deeminac filter turns ordinary tap water into distilled, mineral-free water to keep steam irons, kettles, storage batteries corrosion-free. The 6-ounce size is \$1.75. Lewis & Conger, N. Y.



Iron by General Mills becomes a steam iron by simply slipping it onto steam attachment. The tapered heel of the Tru-Heat backs into tucks, gathers. Steam attachment has plastic tank, won't corrode, is easy to fill or empty. \$14.95. Steam attachment, \$8.95. Available at Macy's New York.



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Picker-uppers: five theories on how to cope with the morning after

f all the days in the year, January first is probably the only one on which a hangover is recognized as a legitimate affliction. Human nature being what it is, January 1, 1953, will probably differ little from preceding years. That 'ole debbil' hangover will doubtless be on hand again. So it is appropriate to discuss its cure—a subject of no small controversy. Roughly, these restorative potions fall into five categories. The first are drinks in which an anisette flavor predominates, whether in the form of true absinthe, pernod, or anisette. These range from the Suissesse, for which the New York Racquet & Tennis Club is famous, to Kilroy's Bracer, which considerably antedates that enterprising G. I. who always gets everywhere first. The two modifying liquors which seem to blend best with this anisette flavor are brandy and vermouth. The second school of cure is British in origin and involves champagne. Mix it half and half with Guinness's Stout and you can call it a Black Velvet. Flavor it with brandy, Angostura, sugar, and you have one of the versions of the champagne cocktail. Third is the bitters-and-peppers school for which the Italians have conveniently provided such medicinal doses as Fernet Branca and Amer Picon. America's contribution to it includes the Prairie Oyster, featuring brandy, vinegar, catsup, and an egg, and a concoction called Old Pepper whose mélange of whiskey, Worcestershire, Tabasco, et al., is liable to be followed by a gasp if not actual tears. At opposite poles is the school which believes in the soothing powers of raw eggs, milk, cream. They urge you to drink a tall, ice-cold brandy punch, or an individual eggnog. Lastly are the aficionados of the sour who call for the 'hair of the dog,' i.e., a base of the same liquor that did them in, Newest addition to the field is the Bloody Mary, a happy marriage of vodka and tomato juice.



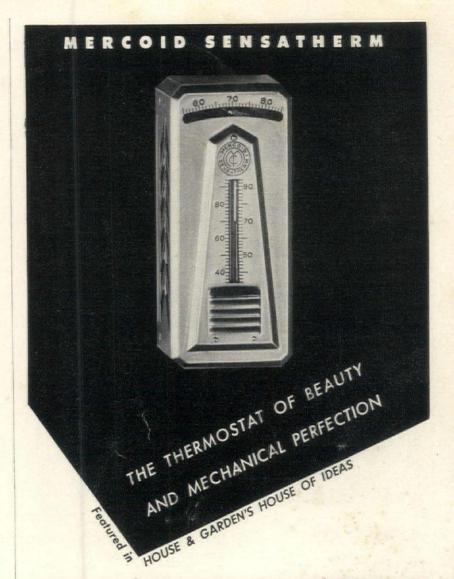
Kilroy's Bracer is one of many picker-uppers which are based on the absinthe family of liquors or liqueurs. Make it with 1½ jiggers brandy, 2 tsps. lime or lemon juice, 1 egg, 3 dashes Angostura, and ½ tsp. anisette. Shake long and hard with shaved ice, turn into a big goblet and fill with cold soda water. Remy Martin cognac, Anis Esmeralda, both imported by Renfield. Glass by New Design. For recipes of other drinks mentioned above, write to H&G's Reader Service.

Better Mousetrap Department

f your holiday parties should happen to mushroom from small gatherings to full-sized supper parties, the Extensole table shown below takes care of expanding hospitality. This bright solution for the Case of the Revolving Hostess extends from a drop-leaf tea wagon to a generous table 74 inches long. In cherry finish, blond or amber mahogany. As a speedy aid for after-dinner coffee, Meas-U-Rite coffee dispenser fits on a pantry wall bracket, holds one pound of your favorite bean in an airtight jar. Each click from the dispenser measures amount for one cup. Add a thermos Coffee Caddy at your elbow and you can pour six steaming cups at one serving. Caddy has a self-closing spout, fits handily into a black wrought-iron stand. One wine cradle that won't crowd your table is made of light cork on a graceful iron frame. Another party helper is Bar Pal. This festive kit contains an all-in-one ice hammer, opener, nut cracker, corkscrew, and cap pryer. For lazy Sunday breakfasts, there's a new aluminum bun warmer perched on wood-tipped iron legs with a candle warmer below. If you relish assembly line flapjacks, try a stainless-steel patty flipper that turns pancakes, hamburgers, and eggs by pressing your thumb to rotate the blade. Grist for the pepper mill comes in the shape of a crystal-clear cylinder with rotary grinder, keeping your supply of peppercorns visible at all times. To season food quickly, there's a salt and pepper set that sprays flavor through flexible bottles with a finger squeeze. Those prone to overload on turkey trimmings (and who isn't?) can check in later on a Counselor scale with an electric magnifying dial. This candid seeing-eye lights up when you step on the platform. Timely as a candy cane are Wamsutta's candy striped fitted sheets to perk up your beds. Is there a six-footer in your house for whom the average towel does pigmy service? If so, he can wrap himself in a new 6-foot handwoven linen bath towel, big as a tent and made especially for man-sized needs. For information about items mentioned, write to H&G's Reader Service.



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Here is a list of the merchandise which we selected for the House of Ideas. For more detailed information on the items mentioned, write to House & Garden's Reader Service.

FURNITURE

Foyer

Black and gold cabinet, Baker Furniture Co.

Living room

Sofa, arm chair, Dunbar Furniture Corp.

Ottoman, Loeblein of Kent,

Chaise, Paul McCobb, Custom Craft, Inc.

Long cocktail table, Paul McCobb, Robert Irwin Co.

Lamp tables, game table, glass cigarette table, side chairs, Baker Furniture Co. Dining table, stools, Blackamoor. Venetian dining chairs, Scarcelli.

Breakfront, side chairs, cigarette table, Baker Furniture.

Chaise, tub chairs, Paul McCobb, Custom Craft, Inc.

Built-in radio-record changer-TV unit, Stromberg Carlson.

Commodes, Baker Furniture Co. Stools, Paul McCobb, Custom Craft, Inc.

Living porch

Arm chairs, Knoll Associates. Love seat, S. J. Campbell Co. Commode, Baker Furniture Co. Six-panel screen, Dunbar Furniture Corp.

Table bench, console table, Paul McCobb, Orsenigo Mfg. Co. Wooden-top table bench, Paul McCobb, Directional Mfg. Corp.

Master bedroom

Commodes, low table, bed headboard, Paul McCobb, Robert Irwin Co. Desk, desk chair, lamp table, cigarette table, Baker Furniture Co.

Lounge chair, Dunbar Furniture Corp. Mattress and box spring, Serta Associates, Inc.

Children's room

Desk chairs, Baker Furniture Co. Tub chair, Dunbar Furniture Corp. Play screen, Fleetwood Furniture Corporation.

Table model TV set and table, CBS-Columbia.

Portable sewing machine, Necchi Sewing Machine Co.

Mattresses and box springs, Serta Associates, Inc.

Bar stools, Van Keppel-Green.

Upholstered sofas, string chairs and sun chaise, ottomans, tables, rattan sun shades, Van Keppel-Green.

Wicker dining chairs, lounge chairs, service wagon, marble-topped cocktail table, raffia ottomans, John B. Salterini. Round dining table, Kagan-Dreyfuss. Circular sun chaise, W. Wes Williams. Flying saucer table, Glenn of California.

Children's play table and stools, Fleetwood Furniture Corporation.

FABRICS, RUGS, CLOSET ACCESSORIES

Children's room

Pink and white stripe café curtains, Everglaze chintz from Cyrus Clark Co.

Pink denim for bedspreads, U. S. Royal Fabrics (Div. of U. S. Rubber Co.) "Manhattan" orange cotton "Needletuft" rugs, Cabin Crafts, Inc.

Orange and black cotton "Scandia" fabric on chair, Konwiser, Inc. Closet accessories, pink chintz, Lasky

Brothers & Elish. Children's bath

"Sierra" blue and white towels, Cannon Mills, Inc. (Monogramming by Smith & Weigler.)

Turquoise "Needletuft" rugs, Cabin Crafts, Inc.

Blue and white checked wallpaper used on ceiling, Louis Bowen.

Shower curtain, made to order from chintz, matching above wallpaper. Blue faille lines swag and festoon curtains of checked chintz, both by Kent Brag-

Master bedroom and dressing room "Nobility" rayon carpeting, mustard, Cabin Crafts, Inc.

"Spongex" rug underlay, The Sponge Rubber Products Company.

"Coronado" gold texture fabric for bedspread and upholstered headboard, F. Schumacher & Company.

Master bedroom and dressing room "Forsythia" printed texture casement curtains, Goodall Fabrics.

Upholstery on Blackamoor chair, pink silk, Updecor.

Charcoal gray "Lintex" fabric for side and lounge chairs, Walters Fabrics.

White grass cloth on walls and doors, Richard E. Thibaut, Inc.

Closet accessories, charcoal and white Pompeian striped Celanese taffeta by Lasky Brothers & Elish.

Master bathroom

"Spatter" wallpaper, Herndon Papers. "Sovereign" Martex apricot towels and bath rugs. (Monogramming by Smith & Weigler.)

White moiré shower curtains and window curtains by I. B. Kleinert Rubber Co., trimmed with white and gold "Grecian" braid by Consolidated Trimmings.

Living room and study

"Peninsula" orange and white striped wool rugs, Edward Fields Co.

"Spongex" underlay, The Sponge Rubber Products Company.

Draw curtains of Orlon sheer, "Pressed Leaves," F. Schumacher & Company. Orange twill fabric on Baker and Scarcelli chairs, Jofa, Inc.

Black and brown tweed fabric on Dunbar sofa, black and brown block fabric on lounge chairs, both by Herman Miller Company.

Pink rep on Blackamoor benches, F. Schumacher & Company.

Black linen on chaise and ottoman,

Konwiser Inc. White and gold silk braid used on

Baker chairs, Scalamandré Silks, Inc. Orange Siamese silk on side chair, Thaibok Fabrics, Inc.

Living porch

White curtains, Seymour Fabrics, Inc. Striped basket weave fabric on love seat, Herman Miller Company.

Black linen on lounge chairs, Konwiser,

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Pink felt for cushion on low table, The Felt Association.

Gallery

Curtains, same as living porch. Pink denim on benches, U. S. Royal Fabrics (Div. of U. S. Rubber Co.)

Molded vinyl orange upholstery on chairs, chaises and white bolsters, L. E. Carpenter & Co.

All drapery and upholstery work and installation, Mitchell-David Co., Inc. All drapery rods and hardware, Kirsch

Automatic, electrically operated traverse, Draw-Matic Co.

"Lattishade," blinds, and draw draperies in living room, study, kitchen, master bedroom and bathrooms, Columhia Mills. Inc.

ACCESSORIES THROUGHOUT THE HOUSE

China Castleton China Co. Martin Freeman Co. Iroquois China Co. Raymor Waertsila Corp.

Classware Duncan & Miller Glass Co. Imperial Glass Corp. Westmoreland Glass Co.

John Matouk & Co.

John Hull Cutlers Corp. Oneida, Ltd.

Accessories Elizabeth Arden Associated American Artists Brackenridge & Taylor W. Russell Button Europa Commerce Martin Freeman Friedman Bros. Decorative Arts Marion Heuer Interiors, Inc., Hubbard Woods, Ill. Kraft Hardware Lange & Williams, Inc. Leonard Linn, Inc., Winnetka, Ill. Marshall Field & Co., Chicago, Ill. Howard Miller Clock Co. Mottahedeh & Sons Raymor Syracuse Ornamental Co. Taskev's Tatman, Evanston, Ill.

Bathroom accessories Detecto Scales, Inc.

TOYS THROUGHOUT THE HOUSE

Surprise Shop, Winnetka, Ill.

TABLE SETTINGS

Page 41 top left: Lunch in living room "Museum White" square salad plates, bread and butter plates, Castleton China Co.

"Etiquette" goblets, clarets and decanter by Imperial Glass Co. Heirloom sterling "Stanton Hall" 6piece place setting, by Oneida, Ltd. Colorflax mats and napkins by John Matouk & Co.

Shell salts with spoons, Martin Free-

Lighter and cigarette cup, Raymor.

Bowl on tripod legs from Leonard Linn, Inc., Winnetka, Ill.

Top right: Cocktails on terrace

Cocktail shaker, cocktail glasses, tole tray, chrome ice bucket, gold and white cocktail plates, all from Tatman, Evanston, Illinois.

Covered casseroles, Raymor Modern Stoneware.

Lower left: Buffet in living room

"Museum White" dinner plates and square salad plates by Castleton China. Sterling flatware, same as above.

Colorflax tablecloth and napkins by John Matouk.

White porcelain open salt dishes, spoons, pepper grinder, by Sitterle Ceramics.

Cheese tray, wooden knife, Martin Freeman.

Black Grainware salad bowl, salad servers, black and white casserole on stand, 9-light candelabra and fruit bowl, Marion Heuer Interiors, Inc., Hubbard Woods, Ill.

Lower right: Dinner for two in living room

Arabia "Pink Ribbon" plates, Waertsila Corp.

"Etiquette" goblets, wines and decanter by Imperial Glass Co. Colorflax mats and napkins, John

Matouk. Sterling flatware, same as above.

Hurricane candle holders, cigarette holder, double candy and nut dish, all from Syracuse Ornamental Co. Glass shells, Martin Freeman.

KITCHEN AND LAUNDRY

Kitchen cabinets, St. Charles Mfg. Co. Laundry equipment (washer, ironer and dryer), Blackstone Corp. Cooking units, Chambers Corp. Built-in refrigerator, Ultra-Cold, Inc. Dishwasher, Westinghouse Electric Co. Sink, Elkay Manufacturing Co. Garbage disposer, In-Sink-Erator. Exhaust fan, Trade-Wind Motor Fans. Counter tops, Formica. Shades, Columbia Mills. Ironing chair and ironer carriage stand, Lee Industries, Inc.

KITCHEN APPLIANCES AND ACCESSORIES

Ironing chair upholstery, Bolta Prod-

Appliances

ucts Sales, Inc.

"Osterizer" blender, John Oster Mfg.

"Fryryte" automatic deep fat fryer, "Coffyryte" automatic drip coffeemaker, both Dulane, Inc.

"Cook-A-Matic" waffle-grill, and Universal toaster, both Landers, Frary &

"Triple-Whip" electric mixer, General Electric Co.

Cookware

Utensils: "Dru-Iron," enameled cast iron, Evans International.

Bakeware, stainless steel, West Bend Aluminum Co.

Skillets by Raymor. Bowl by Syracuse Ornamental.

Cutlery and kitchen tools "Carvel Hall" cutlery set, Chas. D. Briddell, Inc.

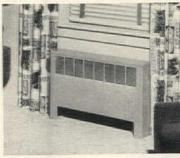
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Cleaning aids

"Electrikbroom," Regina Corporation.
"Jet 99," tank-type vacuum, Landers,
Frary & Clark.

Electric floor polisher, General Floor-craft, Inc.

Wax polishes by S. C. Johnson & Son, Inc.

Miscellaneous accessories

"Avalon" door chimes, The Rittenhouse Co., Inc.

"Glance" wall clock by Seth Thomas.

BUILDING DATA

Slab foundation and footings: poured portland cement.

Framing lumber: Weyerhaeuser 4-Square lumber.

Exterior walls: Exterior sheathing, Johns-Manville Corp.; exterior finish, red cedar bevel siding.

Roofing: Red cedar shingles over wood sheathing.

Nails: Aluminum, Nichols Wire and Aluminum Co. Wood preservative: "Cuprinol," Dar-

worth, Inc.

Fireplace: Brick. Fireplace screen (Flexscreen), Bennett-Ireland, Inc.

Insulation: Rock wool batts in exterior walls, Philip Carey Mfg. Co. Insulating board on roof and around slab foundation, Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corp. Weatherstripping: Exterior doors and louvers, Chamberlin Co.

Gutters and flashing: Galvanized iron,

Werten Iron Co.

Glass: "Twindow" insulating glass, "Solex" heat-resistant glass, mirrors, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. "Factrolite" obscure glass, Mississippi Glass Co. Windows and screens: Rolscreen Co.

Shades: Columbia Mills, Inc.

Glass doors: Glide Windows, Inc. Doors: Hollow core flush doors and closet doors, Curtis New Londoner Doors. "Modernfold" accordion-type

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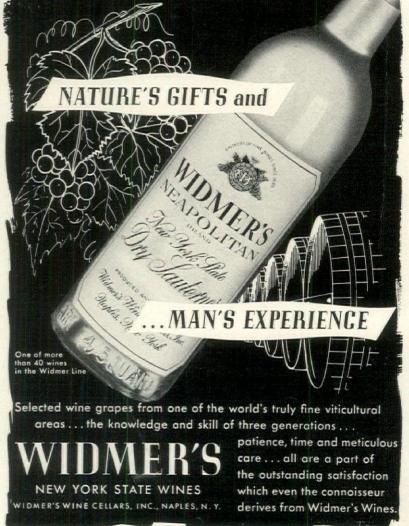


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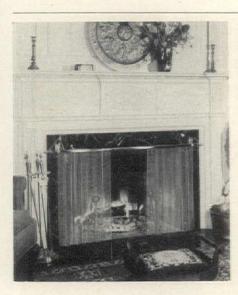
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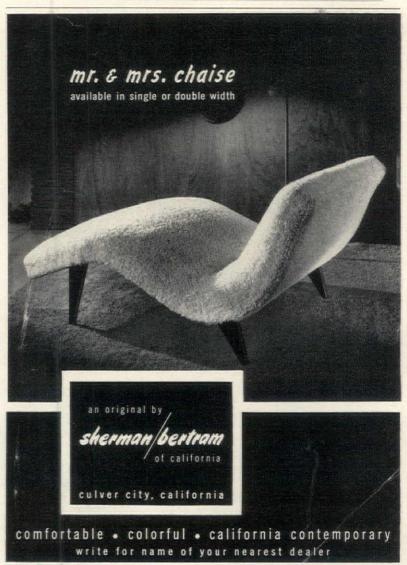




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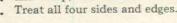
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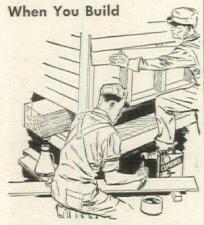
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THE UNITED STATES

Jackson, New Hampshire. Popular area in the White Mountains. Threequarter-mile Thorn Mountain chair lift and Black Mountain T-bar serve a variety of trails, including the new Runaway, 100 feet wide, almost a mile long, and smooth enough to be used with even a light snow. Stay at Whitney's in Jackson or the Oak Lee Ski Lodge.

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Franconia, New Hampshire. There are 40 acres of slopes and trails on Cannon Mountain, an 800-foot tow, and a 2,000foot Alpine lift; also Taft Race Course for experts and intermediate trails. Stay at Mittersill Club, or Hillwinds.

Stowe, Vermont. Mt. Mansfield has the longest, highest chair lift in the East. Trails range from Nose Dive for experts to Toll Road for beginners. T-bar serves wide-open slopes. Mad River Glen, with a chair lift, lies 20 miles south. Stay at the Lodge at Smuggler's Notch, The Toll House, Green Mountain Inn. or Stowehof.

Manchester, Vermont. There are two large centers, Big Bromley with four I-bars and Snow Valley with a T-bar and rope tows, and both are generally busy. Thanks to its new face, Bromley can now be skied on 6 inches of snow. Stay at Kandahar Lodge, The Worthy Inn, or Johnny Seesaw's (recommendations necessary) in Peru.

Woodstock, Vermont. Called the cradle of winter sports in Vermont, it is the site of the first tow ever built in this country. Suicide Six, a famous slope, has a rope tow; Gilbert's Ski Hill has three tows; Prosper Ski Hill has two tows and a jump. Stay at the Woodstock Inn or the White Cupboard Inn.

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Squaw Valley, California. Near Tahoe City, it has a double-seater chair lift to top of Squaw Peak for long, expert runs, with stops at one-third and two-thirds stations. Deep powder snow and timber-free slopes. Ski school headed by Emile Allais. Stay at the Squaw Valley Lodge or Tahoe Tavern.

Sugar Bowl, California. Skiing on the Donner Summit near Norden. There is a 3,200-foot chair lift, seven runs, and slopes on Mt. Disney, new overhead tramway to transport guests from Highway 40 to Sugar Bowl. Stay at Sugar Bowl Lodge, The Donner Summit Lodge and Hotel, Soda Springs.



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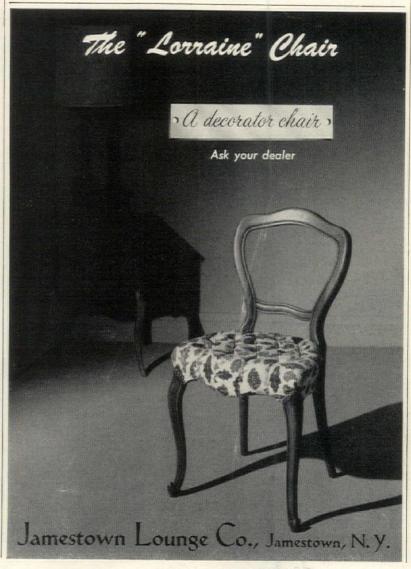
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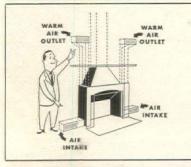


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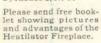


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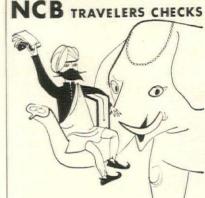
"Put your eggs into boiling water; then play the Boiled Eggs Polka, allegro moderato; immediately upon finishing, take your eggs out of the saucepan, and they will be ready to serve."

That music can help us to do a variety of things has been sensed since the dawn of human history. But we have understood only vaguely just what it is that it does do, and how. Today, background music, via radio, records, television, and various piped-in systems, is used to awaken us, put us to sleep, provide a soothing background for dining, and to help us to do almost anything. Scientific tests seem to prove that the right sounds can not only soothe us, but actually increase both physical and mental energy. For example, music is credited with the power to make clearer colors seen at a distance, and to make barely legible type easier to read. Waltzes can increase speed and accuracy in doing addition, subtraction, division, and multiplication, according to tests at DePauw University; and tests at Dartmouth prove that reading and comprehension are both speeded un with music.

Much of what we know today about background music can be traced to the work of a company known as Musak, whose distinctive kind of "functional" music is heard in 250 cities throughout the country, most frequently in restaurants, hotels, stores, banks, offices, and industrial plants, but also in homes. These include private houses and entire apartment buildings, as one of the various apartment services. Thanks to Musak's efforts, we are a lot clearer about how to choose music to help us do whatever we want.

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be no more aware of it than you are of good lighting. Select music with even sound, without sharp blaring or fading, without special instrumentation intended to show the virtuosity of individual performers or instruments, without novelty tricks, changes in key, dramatic crescendos, spectacular solo vocals or other effects which demand active listening. Music with a simple melody carried through will lift your spirits without distracting.

This doesn't eliminate classical music. While popular pieces seem better for early morning, and for physical tasks, the semi-classical and classical works are preferred backgrounds for mental activity. Perhaps the pacing used by Musak for restaurants can key you. At breakfast, Musak's music is popular, light, bouncing; for lunch, it semi-classical or light concert; for cocktails, fast and snappy with a sprinkling of novelty tunes; for dinner, quieter selections are made. After that, dance tunes and old favorites set the mood for the evening.

A few years back, a popular song wooed a young lady by offering music wherever she goes. Actually, back-ground music should be used judiciously, and planned ahead. In offices, for example, it's heard only 1 to 21/2 hours a day-to begin it, break it up, end it. It comes on at intervals for only 15 minutes at a time and at the special fatigue periods-generally just before lunch and from 3 to 4 o'clock.

Today it is relatively easy to provide ourselves with music whenever we want it. A clock-radio can automatically turn on your radio set, and turn it off. Record-players, too, can be turned on by some clock-radios presently available. They allow you to go to sleep to your favorite music, provide a pleasant awakening, and "remember" musical programs throughout the day. One in the nursery can start the children's favorite lullaby at naptime and bedtime, and automatically stop it once they are safely asleep.

Of course, not every radio program will make good background music, for many are designed frankly to attract attention. But if you spend some time experimenting with what is available, you will find a variety that are suitable Select those with quiet, informal commentaries, and where vocalists have a relaxed, casual style featuring the melody rather than unusual or bizarre effects. As a starting point for your own researches into radio's possibilities, here is a sampling of musical programs to be broadcast by the national networks during the first quarter of 1953.

For early Sunday breakfasts, you can tune your set to the only nationwide, radio organ recital, for which Mr. E. Power Biggs plays on the Bach-style organ of the Busch-Reisinger Museum of Harvard. During the past 10 years, Mr. Biggs has devoted a month of Sundays to perform every composition for the organ written by Bach. (9:30-10 a.m., EST, over CBS radio.)

For brunching, the "Fine Arts Quartet" can provide a pleasant background of chamber music, offering Bartok, Debussy, Mozart, et al. (11-11:30 a.m., EST, over ABC; not heard in New York City.)

While you read the Sunday papers, have a solid two-hour musical accompaniment, starting at 2 n.m. with "Symphonette," a small symphony orchestra conducted by Mishel Piastro, over CBS radio. From 2:30-4, the New York Philharmonic Symphony orchestra, conducted by such men as Dimitri Mitropoulos, George Szell, and Bruno Walter, takes over the same airwaves.

During those last hours of a classical Sunday, straighten the house from week-end ravages while being soothed by the Oklahoma City Symphony, which presents symphonic music from all over the world. (10-11 p.m., EST, over MBS.) Or, you can choose to listen to "The Choraliers," an all-male chorus which renders familiar American ballads and popular "classics." (10:05-10:30 p.m., EST, CBS radio.)

There are many quiet, popular musical programs during the week, to counterpoint every workaday activity. Most include some kind of commentary, of a casual, relaxing nature. While you lunch, let your clock-radio turn on singers Curt Massey and Martha Tilton (Mon.-Fri., 12-12:15, over MBS). These performers can also sing for your dinner (6:30-6:45 EST, over CBS radio).

If you lunch late during the week, you can have "Luncheon with Lopez," whose band broadcasts from the New York Hotel Taft (1:30-2 p.m. over MBS). And, to lift the spirits during any midafternoon letdown, try the music of Jerome Kern, Aaron Copland, Richard Rodgers, etc., over MBS's

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"John Gambling Club." (3-4 p.m.)

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, have dinner while "Club 15" performs over CBS radio, with singers Bob Crosby and Gisele MacKenzie running through every kind of popular song. (7:30-7:45, EST.)

If you check household accounts Monday evenings, do it to the lighter classical music presented on the "Voice of Firestone." (8:30-9 p.m., EST, NBC.) Howard Barlow conducts, featuring some numbers from current Broadway shows, too. When this program signs off, on comes "The Tele-phone Hour," also on NBC, on which are heard such top-flight artists as Pinza, Iturbi, Heifetz, Anderson, Tagliavini, and Tassinari.

For Saturday evening dance music, try ABC's "Dancing Party," on which several orchestras present dance music. (8-10 p.m. outside New York City.)

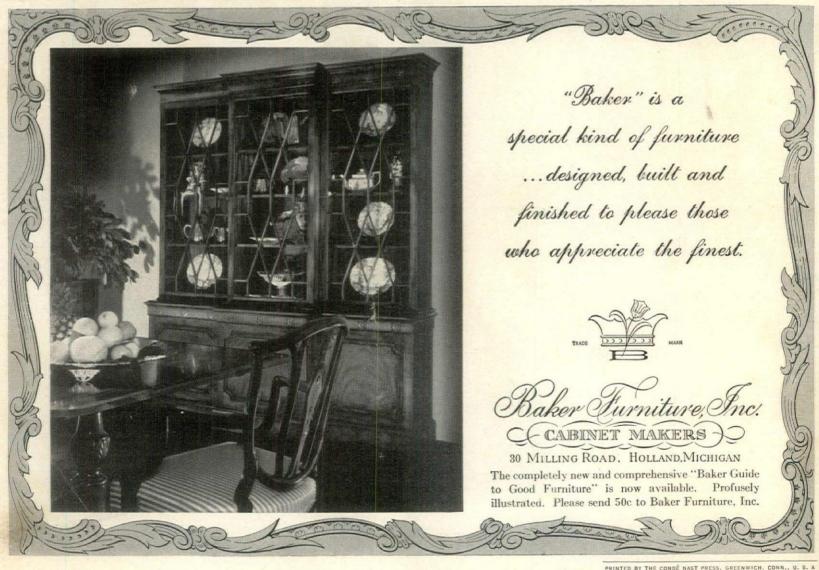
Also, of course, all during the week there are countless little musical programs presented by local stations. These vary in every city, are generally modest in conception and casual in tempo, and perhaps even closer to the ideal for "background" music than more ambitious programs. In any event, your own tastes and needs can be the final judge. If you combine the almost infinite resources of radio and your own record library (building a section of this specifically for "background" use), you can do just about anything you want to music.

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